

Saturday Specials

Marigold Oleomargarine	33c
Glendale Oleomargarine	33c
Premium Oleomargarine	33c
Hog Liver, 3 lbs for	25c
Spare Ribs, per lb.	20c
Olives, 3 bottles for	25c
Can Peaches	15c
Dill Pickles, 10c qt., 3 for	25c

Cash and Carry Saves 2 Per Cent

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OPPOSE BONDING COUNTY FOR ROADS

WILL NOT ASK SUPERVISORS
TO CALL FOR ELECTION
ON BONDING.

Board of County Road Commissioners Held Open Meeting Monday Afternoon.

There had been a movement on foot to petition upon the supervisors to request a special election on the proposition of bonding the county for about \$100,000 for the purpose of road building.

Following a meeting of the Central Michigan Pike association at Gaylord Feb. 22, one of the members of the county road commissioners was keen for bonding the county and wanted the question submitted to the people.

Chairman T. Hanson of the county board called a meeting to be held Monday, March 4 at the court house and invited in the citizens of Grayling, and this he announced at the board of trade banquet Friday night of last week.

In presenting the matter for discussion Monday afternoon he said that the people of Grayling represented 75% of the population and 75% of the taxable valuation of the county, and wanted the views of our business men.

There was but a few present—about 20. Supervisor M. A. Bates, said in part that there would be available about \$10,000 this year for road building. Also that at the present time bonds would require an excessive rate of interest, probably about 6%, which was in excess of what we could afford. Also that if the bond issue was presented to the voters the proposition had to stipulate the exact amount of interest offered in order to get bonding companies to take bonds. He said that he was not in favor of bonding this year for the above reasons, and also that labor is scarce and high and that this is a poor time to build roads extensively. The principal road building that is being contemplated this year, is work on the proposed Central Michigan tourist pike road, connecting with Roscommon county on the south and with Otsego county on the north, and there is money enough, in the opinion of the speaker, to build all the road that we are able to build this year. Should the bonding proposition be presented at this time, he

believed it would be defeated, and that such defeat might establish a bad precedent for any future time when it would be more advisable to pass a bonding issue.

M. Hanson, the next speaker said that our business at present is war business and, continuing, reiterated many of the points covered by the statements of Mr. Bates. He wanted good roads but believed that this was too time to float extensive bonds as interest rates are high and that labor is sure to be scarce, and with the money available we will have sufficient funds with which to do all the work desired this year.

B. Peter Johnson of Frederic, a member of the Board of Road Commissioners favored presenting the matter before the people at this coming spring election and let them decide as to whether or not we should bond the county. He said if the proposition passed it would not necessarily mean that we must sell the bonds at this time, and in presenting the matter the amount of interest might be placed not to exceed a certain sum, and then when sold could be disposed of at the lowest price obtainable. Authority that seemed most reliable contradicted the statement of interest, declaring that the exact amount must be stated in the issue when presented to the voters. Mr. Johnson did not like to give up having the matter presented to the voters but it seemed that he stood alone on this end of the project. There were expressions from every person present and all except Mr. Johnson were opposed to presenting the bond issue this year.

Ralph Hanna, of Beaver Creek, another member of the commission frankly showed himself in accord with the prevailing opinion. In an interview with Mr. Hanna he said he had been carefully considering the matter for several weeks and concluded that it would be an injustice to the people to try and urge upon them a bonding proposition at this time. He is anxious to get better roads as he believed that such conditions would stimulate agricultural development and believed that our county in ten years would double in value in the agricultural regions, besides the inestimable good that good roads would bring the pleasure seeker and aid to military activities.

After adjournment of this meeting the board went into executive session and the members were finally unanimous in not wishing to present the matter before the Board of Supervisors and dropped that affair for the present at least.

WILL ASK WOMEN TO REGISTER

WORK IN CHARGE OF NATIONAL DEFENSE SOCIETY.

Held Classes of Instruction in Enrollment.

On Monday evening a mass meeting for the women of Crawford county was held in the school auditorium. The chairman of "The Woman's National Defense," Mrs. S. N. Insley, asked that all women interested in the registration of the women of America as well as in the object of the organization of the Woman's National Defense to attend and listen to a lecture by Mrs. Arthur Plum of Bay City.

The response was beyond expectation. In fact it was quite unusual that 500 women should respond to this call from a place the size of Grayling, and surely showed what a splendid patriotic spirit our citizens have.

Mrs. Plum is a very pleasing and convincing speaker. She explained that this registration, which would be held during the week of April 6th, had been authorized by the government and would be carried on thru the Woman's National Defense. That while it was not compulsory that women register, a refusal to do so would be looked on as disloyalty.

After Mrs. Plum had finished her talk Mrs. Olaf Michelson, made a few remarks on the coming third-drive for Liberty bonds, also a plea for Red Cross workers.

Mrs. Insley said she would need about 100 women to help carry on this work. Some to act as registrars and others as captains of five districts for taking the census of all the women over 16 years of age in Grayling. These were quickly gotten. Mrs. Plum remained during Tuesday and Wednesday to instruct the registrars in the work. Mrs. Plum is a very efficient instructor and the women of Grayling are to be congratulated upon being so fortunate as to have her as their instructor.

Women of Frederic will hold a big mass meeting Thursday, of next week, at the Opera house in Frederic, at which time a class for registrars will be formed. Talks upon the registration of women of Michigan and other patriotic activities of women will be given.

The arrangement for census taking, publicity work and registration of women in the various school districts will be taken up in the near future.

Registration For Service.

During the several meetings conducted by Mrs. Plum that lady gave out much information regarding the object of the registration of the women of the country, and some of the requirements. Among the statements made are the following:

Beginning on April 6, the first anniversary of the signing of the declaration of war, a registration of the woman-power of Michigan is to be taken by the Woman's Committee Council of National Defense. This registration will be taken under authority of the Federal government and by proclamation of the governor of Michigan.

This registration of women which has already been taken in New York, Illinois, and several other states, is nation-wide in its scope. The object here in Michigan, as in other states, is to give every loyal woman an opportunity to offer to her country such service as she is best fitted to render, and to get this offer down in such shape that it will be definitely available to the government, the state, or to some need in her home community. If she wishes training for some new kind of service, she registers for that, and we undertake to furnish information as to where such training may be procured—be it training as a nurse, friendly visitor, telegrapher, wireless operator, motor mechanic, or any of the 154 occupations listed on the registration cards.

There is great need for such registration that we may be prepared to meet the present and coming demand for women to take the places of men called to military service, as well as to fill multitudes of new places in industry, clerical work and public service created by the war.

But the registration contemplates much more than this. Every loyal woman over sixteen is wanted to register. This war is teaching us that national welfare and military efficiency have their roots back in the home and those beneficent social institutions that are the heart of democracy.

So, when a woman says: "There is nothing for me to register for; I have to give every moment of my time to the care of my home and children," we will answer, "Register for that," and we will try to send her away with the proud feeling that she is serving her country in a most vital way.

Of course the vast majority of women cannot be asked to go to other places; they must render their service in their homes and home communities, or not at all. A community survey, taken in advance of registration, is designed to enable registrars to suggest opportunities of philanthropic service

THIRTY-FIVE STARS IN SCHOOL SERVICE FLAG.

Mrs. O. N. Michelson Presents School With Flag.

It was a special occasion Monday morning in the High school when Mrs. O. N. Michelson presented the school with a service flag containing 35 stars. This was to indicate that there are 35 men serving in the war who had attended the Grayling school.

The service flag is a handsome one, size 2 1/2 x 4 1/2 ft. The stars are arranged in the shape of a cross. The donor presented the flag at the opening of school Monday morning, accompanying the act with a five minute talk. She said in part as follows:

A very familiar, but a very good thought for each of us to keep in mind is that it is not what we take out of life, but what we put into it that counts.

In speaking of service, we do not mean military service alone, but that greater service which each of us owes to his generation in return for the life which God gave us.

It is the plan of the ages that man should ever go forward.

As we look down the pages of history, we find that the names which we speak in love and reverence, are of those men and women, who were of the greatest service to their time. Abraham Lincoln stands pre-eminent among Americans, not for his brilliancy of mind, but because he served mightily in utter unselfishness, counting no personal sacrifice too great if his people could but go forward.

Any boy among you may adopt the principles which molded the life of this greatest American. Any girl among you may to the extent of your ability be a Frances Willard or a Jane Adams in the social uplift of your time. Never have Americans been called upon to serve the race as we are called today. It is for us to decide the principles upon which governments of earth shall stand.

This flag (service flag) is a symbol of this great service. Ideals are the things which move the world. If you would do acts of patriotism you must first have love of country instilled into your souls. This flag means that thirty-five men, once boys in Grayling schools, have offered all that they have that principles of justice may live. Life is a dear thing to offer but when we choose its preservation to that of the preservation of principles of right, we pay very dearly indeed for it.

We are glad to honor these men who believe this. Grayling has reason to be proud of its service roll. We find among these thirty-five men, eight officers. It is not the honor which has come to these men for which we are gratified, so much as the fact that the boys who have gone out from our schools have proven themselves worthy of honor. Two in particular we would mention. The first is Major E. E. Hartwick, who did not think he had done all that he should until he had done all that he could, and who then having served with distinction thru one war, offered himself again to his country when he saw its need. The other is Captain Hardin Sweeney, who has risen to each responsibility placed upon him so ably that his promotion is little short of marvelous. Grayling is proud of Hardin Sweeney.

We love to honor all these men, and the best way in which to prove our sincerity is by giving ourselves to service in this great cause. The winning of this war is the greatest service which we can give to our generation; for upon our victory depends the safety of the world. There is something for each one of us to do. Boys and girls have never been given such responsibilities as at this time.

When we see this flag flying let it remind us of this; let it spur us to greater effort. In this way we can best serve our age, we can best honor these men, the symbol of whose sacrifice we have woven so beautifully in the colors of the flag of our beloved country.

[A list of the men represented by the stars upon the service flag presented by Mrs. Michelson may be found in the School notes in this issue of the Avalanche.—Ed.]

to such women. Local philanthropies are crying out for such help, because so many people entirely forget them in their desire to render service more visibly connected with the war. "It is just as patriotic to save the life of a baby at home as of a soldier in France," we say.

Registration is voluntary; women will not be drafted into government service, and if a woman registers for service at this time and when called later, finds herself unable, by changed conditions, to respond to the call, no punishment or criticism will fall upon her, nor will she be compelled to service.

One point which we would like to have all women remember is: This is a government census, and if you are a loyal woman, IT SHOULD INCLUDE YOU. Disloyal or unpatriotic women are not asked to register.

One important advantage of registration is, to have a registry of the capacity and training of the women of the country as the basis of the future work of the Woman's Committee of the Council of National Defense.

MONTHLY BOARD OF TRADE MEETING

MANY ENJOY BANQUET AND HEAR ROUSING TALKS.

Board of Trade Banquet and Smokers Popular With Members.

The second monthly Board of trade banquet, held at Shoppenagon's Inn Friday night of last week added one more bright time in the history of the organization.

The banquets are but a part of the features that help to bring together so fine a representation of Grayling's business men. The good, rousing talks and discussions that follow the dinner are an inspiration to everyone.

It is a pleasure to just look into the faces of the many men congregated about the festive board. Business cares for the hour are cast aside and general affairs of interest to the uplift and progress of the community holds the stage.

To start the affair off right, Manager Pink of the hotel is a pastmaster—the eats are good and leave every one in a happy frame of mind. Here is what he offered the guests that night:

Cream of Tomato Soup.
Queen Olives.
Baked Lake Pike—Butter sauce.
Whipped Potatoes—green peas.
Head Lettuce—Rouquefort Dressing.
Corn Muffins.
Lemon Pie.
American Cheese—salted wafers.
Coffee. Cigars.

OVER THE TOP.
The conservation ceased when President Harry Simpson rapped for quiet. It didn't take him long to get things to grinding. The first crack out of the box he produced an "over the top" per—Lieutenant W. R. Myers, one of the 59 survivors of the Princess "Pat" Canadian regiment of 1,100 members. Made world famous by their deeds of daring and valor, the record of this regiment stands pre-eminent before the people of the world today.

Lieut. Myers was an honored guest of the Board of trade and was not booked for a talk. He was to deliver a talk at the school house at 8:00 o'clock for the benefit of the red cross, thus cut his story short. He left the audience deeply impressed by his message, and with an inspiration of patriotism.

TRUNK HIGHWAYS.
W. N. Bryant of Kalamazoo, field secretary of the Michigan Good roads association, gave a very impressive talk on the benefit of good roads, and telling of the gatherings for the purpose of instituting the great Lincoln and Dixie highways.

He told a few stories to make everybody happy. Among the most important matters that he stated, that are of special concern to us is the fact that the proposed trunk line road from Mackinaw City to Toledo was to be a part of the great Dixie highway that is to connect the north with the south. In due time this trunk line is sure to be connected by cross country roads and thus this will become a great system of highways. The use of motor trucks will be general among the farmers as well as the city business men.

Such a trunk line is going to bring into this beautiful summer resort region thousands of tourists every season, who in turn are going to leave much money in the cities along the line. Besides this such a road was bound to bring settlers into this region. Mr. Bryant said the road would be worth \$10 for every dollar invested.

BUY THRIFT STAMPS.

The purchase of thrift and war savings stamps was the theme of brief remarks by A. M. Lewis, chairman of that committee in this county. He requested the members to encourage the purchase of such stamps.

SOUSA'S JACKIE BAND COMING.

If T. Hanson isn't chairman of about every war committee in Crawford county it is because he has switched the jobs onto some of his friends. Even at that he has plenty left to suit the most enthusiastic and enterprising individual. He is even hooked onto the chairmanship of the Board of county road commissioners. He said that there was to be a meeting of that board at the court house Monday and invited the business men of Grayling to attend, and aid in the discussion of bonding the county for road building.

He endorsed the purchase of thrift and war savings stamps and told why every man, woman, and child should purchase them.

As chairman of the War preparedness board he had appointed members in every township in the county, and then and there appointed the members of the Board of trade members of that board. He said he hoped to attend a big meeting of the chairmen of the committee in Chicago some time the next week.

He told of the work of the Red Cross and how that the excellent work that was being done for the Red Cross, Liberty loan, Y. M. C. A. and other matters in our county was appreciated by the heads of the several departments.

Then he said that the central com-

Ready for Spring

Dress Goods of Satisfaction

Light and dark Percales worth 35c, going while they last at 25c.

42-inch fine Voiles, in all the new shades, white, black, rose, yellow, navy, tan and new blue.

Special in Gingham

35c values selling at 25c 25c values selling at 22c

Georgette crepe, navy, white, black, brown, green and plum.

Taffetas and Messalines in all the new shades.

SILK HOSE in white, black, pink, sky, navy, gold, bronze, suede, gray, African brown, pearl and lavender.

Many of the above goods were bought early and same are selling much below the actual wholesale price

EMIL KRAUS

GRAYLING'S LEADING DRY GOODS AND CLOTHING STORE

Motor Vehicle Tax For 1918.

Lansing, Mich.
February 15, 1918.

Probably not one-half of the operators of motor cars have paid as yet the tax for 1918. Many are still using 1917 plates, some using none at all. We call your attention to the following:

1. The tax for 1918 is now due, and

mittee had promised him that Sousa's Jackie band would visit Grayling just to show their appreciation of the work that was being done here. This is indeed a compliment to Grayling! Sousa's Jackie band recently visited Detroit and contained 300 trained musicians. This band is now divided into four sections of 75 men each, and is in the employ of the government. They go wherever ever directed to aid in patriotic meetings and days. The committee asked Mayor Hanson to name the day when he wanted them to come and then to invite the people from every county between Bay City and Mackinaw to attend. This will probably be some time after May 1.

This is going to be one of the great days Grayling has ever known, and that is saying much. When the time comes, this town is going to be the center of attraction for all northern Michigan.

Time and space will not permit us to tell of all the good things that were said at this banquet. There wasn't a dry talk during the whole evening.

Sup't D. W. Donohue of the Michigan Central, said that he was going to go into the truck driving business. He also, in private conversation, said that he would see that we had ample train service when the Jackie band came to Grayling.

There were other good talks, among the speakers being Attorney Hiram Smith, and Agricultural Agent Fred Johnson of Roscommon. Mr. Smith clinched home some good points in favor of good roads. Mr. Johnson told what the agricultural agents were trying to do thruout the nation, and said there would be a public meeting here March 15 for the discussion of limestones and their use in acid soils.

SUBSCRIBE FOR THE AVALANCHE.

Service That Wins

The service that WINS is the service that SATISFIES. Our service is of that kind.

FIRST. We give you just what you want if it is in the house.

SECOND. We employ every effort to have what you want.

THIRD. We never seek to put off on a customer a substitute for an article called for, unless the customer so desires.

This three-fold policy has secured for us a line of SATISFIED CUSTOMERS of which we are indeed proud.

Ours is a store of SATISFACTION, and we want to satisfy you.

Salling, Hanson Co.

Hardware Department



Ford
THE UNIVERSAL CAR

The Ford Model T One-Ton Truck Chassis, \$600 f. o. b. Detroit, has been thoroughly tested for more than two years. It is sold you now in the assured confidence that it will meet your requirements and expectations. The regular Ford frame, only larger and heavier, the regular Ford motor with direct driven worm gear; wheel base of 124 inches and will turn inside a 46-foot circle. It has all the simplicity of the Ford car, all the economy in operation and maintenance. Come in and we'll give you further details.

GEORGE BURKE, Grayling, Michigan.



NEW LAW PROTECTS SOLDIERS' RIGHTS

CONGRESS PASSES BILL GIVING FIGHTER AND DEPENDENTS EXTRA PRIVILEGES.

FINAL APPROVAL UNANIMOUS

Under Terms of Measure Court Action Cannot Be Taken for Failure to Pay Taxes, Insurance, Etc.

Washington—Giving sweeping protection to Uncle Sam's fighting men, the so-called soldiers' and sailors' civil rights bill has been approved by congress.

Under the bill fighting men and their dependents are protected against eviction for non-payment of rent; loss of life insurance through delayed premiums; execution of mortgages against their property; loss of homes on which part payment has been made; loss of property through non-payment of taxes, or loss of a homestead through absence or non-payment of fees.

All this protection is given on the condition that a man's normal ability to meet his obligations has been "materially affected" by his military service.

Pending for Many Months. The measure has been before congress for many months. Difficulties of drafting it, and the protests of certain insurance, building company, loan company and similar interests, delayed its passage.

With the war risk insurance bill, it is declared by administration leaders to make up the most liberal legislation in protection of a nation's fighters in history. Its final approval was by unanimous vote.

Its most important features follow: A lawsuit cannot be settled against a man who is unable to appear because of military service. Courts must appoint attorneys for such defendants.

A lawsuit begun by a person who later enters military service may be postponed until the man in service is able to give it personal attention.

A soldier's wife or family cannot be evicted from any premises, rent for which does not exceed \$50 a month. The court may inquire into all such cases and make such order as may be just. An attempt to evict shall be punishable by a \$1,000 fine.

Foreclosure Is Forbidden.

On homes being bought on installment payments, the contract shall not be foreclosed for non-payment unless a court so decides after an investigation. The court may then order all payments to date refunded. The court may stay proceedings altogether.

Insurance is defined to include benefits from fraternal or benefit societies as well as commercial life insurance. Non-payments due to military service shall not invalidate the policy up to one year after the close of the war.

Non-payment of taxes cannot result in the sale of a fighter's property. This includes assessments and levies of every sort for either national, state or local governments.

Mine claims, timber claims and farm claims all are guarded against foreclosure by the government either for failure to perform work, absence, non-payment of fees or failure to make improvements.

DETROITER WINS WAR CROSS

Hero in Recent Raid Decorated—Five Others Also Honored.

With the American Army in France—Georges Clemenceau, premier of France, planned war crosses upon six Americans, heroes of the German raid on American trenches March 1.

The men thus decorated were:

An infantry sergeant from Detroit, 47 years old, 20 years in the service and who refused retirement. With his gas mask on, he emerged from his dug-out when ordered to come out by a German captain. Appearing in the entrance, he shot the enemy officer dead with his automatic pistol, called out his comrades, and then killed a second German. Incidentally he saved the company's log book.

A sergeant, aged 45, from Jonesville, Ark., who also refused retirement. After the American captain had been killed this sergeant commanded the company. He organized both the defense and counter-attack.

A lieutenant from Chicago, who captured a German entangled in the barbed wire single-handed and shot another who resisted.

A lieutenant from Charleston, S. C., formerly attached to the cavalry but now transferred to the artillery and now with the infantry, who raced through the German bombardment and the barrage of the American batteries, ordering his men into action.

A private from St. Louis, an artilleryman who carried a dispatch through the barrage.

A private from Brooklyn, also a dispatch bearer.

Three Day Food Supply in France.

Lansing—"Since December 23, France has not had on hand, at any time, more than a three days' supply of food," said Frank W. Wood, of the national food administration. "We must sacrifice to the point of self-denial. We must save and save and still save more. We must see to it that the people of England, of France, of Belgium, of Portugal, and of Italy do not starve. If we do not save to the point of sacrifice these nations may break."

State Fires Kill Nine, Hurt Nine.

Lansing—The report of Insurance Commissioner Frank H. Ellsworth for the month of February shows that nine persons lost their lives and nine others were seriously injured by fires, explosions and the careless use of gasoline and kerosene in Michigan, during the month. Seventeen public buildings were burned or partially destroyed in the state as follows: Eight hotels, four schools, three churches, one hospital and one jail, the loss on these buildings is \$750,000.



SHIPPING LOSSES ALARM ENGLAND

GERMANS CLAIM TO HAVE SUNK 9,000,000 TONS WITHIN PAST YEAR.

SITUATION ADMITTEDLY GRAVE

Both Sides Have Learned That U-Boat Campaign Is Huge Gamble—Results Still in Doubt.

London—The shipping problem has suddenly loomed larger than ever. The combination of increased sinkings and decreased output of the shipyards has caused considerable uneasiness, if not alarm. What makes the situation exceedingly bad is that it coincides with the period of the year when economical arrangements are at their lowest ebb. Since their decision not to publish the tonnage losses because of their value to the enemy, the authorities have always labored under a disadvantage.

How to impress the public with the necessity of economy and also to urge shipbuilding to greater efforts without giving the enemy figures which would be used in strengthening the German morale, has been a tremendous problem.

Thus far it is unsolved, but there are indications that the country is about to learn of some unpleasant facts.

In the last year Germany claims to have destroyed over 9,000,000 tons of Allied ships.

From the beginning of the war to February 1, 1918, Germany claims to have sunk 14,000,000 tons of Allied and neutral shipping.

According to German estimates, the Entente, on January 1, 1918, had available a total tonnage of 19,610,000 and by the end of this year predicts that this will be reduced to 15,410,000 tons. On a basis of 60 per cent of the tonnage being used for military purposes, Germany estimates that there will be only \$510,000 available for civilian uses at the end of the year.

According to German figures, the Entente can import only 48,500,000 tons at the end of the year 1918.

Both sides have learned that the submarine campaign is the world's greatest gamble. Germany has banked too heavily, while the Allies have been over optimistic. No one can foretell what the result will be by midsummer.

REDS AGREE TO GERMAN PEACE

Teutons Report That Movement Into Russia Has Stopped.

Washington—A dispatch from Berlin via London states that the German invasion into Russia has stopped because of the signing of the peace treaty.

It was reported several days ago by Bolshevik commissioners that they were about to sign a peace treaty. This report was telegraphed to Lenin and Trotsky after delegates sent to Brest-Litovsk had met the German emissaries.

There is little information available as to details of the meeting between the delegations, but the Bolsheviks said they realized that any further delay would mean more onerous conditions and they would sign the treaty without further discussions.

Russia lost by the delay that ensued when Trotsky announced that the war, so far as Russia was concerned, had ended, but refused to sign the formal treaty.

In the interval between the breaking up of the first Brest-Litovsk meeting and the one held late last week, the Central powers added materially to the demands which were outlined when the now famous "Hoffman line" was drawn by the commander of the German forces on the eastern front.

Flour Substitute Rule Changed.

Lansing—Federal Food Administrator Hoover has advised the state food administrator that on account of difficulty in obtaining wheat flour substitutes, rye and meal will be considered substitutes for flour until March 31. "Bakers using rye flour as a substitute must procure other substitutes on the list before March 31," said Hoover. "I understand some bakers are openly disregarding the Victory bread rules. If there are any such their licenses should be revoked."

Young Medics Will Be Called Soon.

Ann Arbor—That medics graduating from the state university last year, now doing their year of hospital work, will be called into active service next July, and that every medical student's duty is to offer himself to his country, was a statement made by Lieutenant-Colonel V. C. Vaughan. Lieutenant-Colonel Vaughan asserted 16,000 medical men have been accepted. The law allows seven physicians for every 1,000 men. The present enrollment is sufficient for an army of 2,000,000.

PARENTS AWAY, 3 TOTS BURN

Green Wood in Stove Explodes, Setting Fire to Home.

Stanton, Mich.—Three small children, all under five years were burned to death seven miles northwest of here, when the farm home of Fred Innis in Douglas township was fired by explosion of green wood in a living room stove and burned to the ground. Three other children escaped injury. The parents were away at the time on an errand of mercy. Mr. Innis had taken up a collection for a family whose home was recently destroyed by fire and he and his wife had gone to the neighbors' house to give them the cash.

When they returned the house was destroyed and two children were dead. The third died a few hours later.

Neighbors saw the flames and rushed to the farm, but were too late to save the three smallest children.

REHABILITATE WAR'S WRECKS

Congress Asked to Provide Means for Educating Crippled Soldiers.

Washington—Before the end of the summer the tide of wounded American fighting men, many of whom will require special vocational re-education before returning to industrial life, will be returning from Europe. In making this prediction, the federal board for vocational education emphasized the imperative need of congressional legislation authorizing the establishment of an adequate system for the rehabilitation of disabled men.

In estimates already submitted to congress the board pointed out that 100,000 out of every 1,000,000 soldiers sent to France will be returned during the first year of fighting, and that instruction in new lines of industry will be needed for 20,000 annually, who will be physically unable to return to their pre-war occupations.

AUTO SKIDS IN RIVER, TWO DIE

Car Leaves Road When Driver Turns Out for Team at Bridge.

Plymouth—Ralph Tothran, 34 years old, and his sister, Mrs. Margie Dow, 20, were drowned in River Rouge last Friday, when the automobile they were driving skidded from the roadway and landed upside down in the river.

The two had driven Arthur Dow, husband of the woman, to the railroad station, on his departure for Jackson, to answer a draft call which would take him to Fort Leavenworth, Kan., and they were driving back to Plymouth. As they approached the bridge, crossing Rouge river, near Plymouth road, they turned out for a team, and in doing so, their car left the road, and slid down the embankment into the water.

ANARCHY WILL BE DISCOURAGED

Allen Propagandists to Be Rounded Up and Deported.

Washington—A general round-up of alien disturbers in the Pacific northwest, spreading sabotage and anarchy, has been ordered by the department of labor. All aliens preaching these doctrines, Secretary Wilson ruled, whether they be members of the I. W. W. or not, shall be confined for deportation from the country.

The order was issued in response to a demand for the wholesale internment of some 3,000 I. W. W.'s in the Pacific northwest. He ruled, however, that mere membership in the I. W. W. would not be ground for deportation. Immigration officers at Seattle were ordered to proceed at once in accordance with the new rules.

Father of Five Children Murdered.

Flint—Joe Sopo, an Italian, aged 32, married, and the father of five children, was shot four times and instantly killed near his home in the foreign quarter as he was returning from a visit to the home of a relative. Four suspects, all Italians, were locked up a few hours later. Three of them were taken from a boarding house across the street from the scene of the shooting. The fourth suspect was arrested at the morgue while he was viewing the remains.

Phone Rate Raise Gets Setback.

Lansing—The city of Detroit won the first court round of its fight against higher telephone rates and metered system here when Judge West, of the Ingham county circuit, issued a temporary restraining order suspending the interim rates until after an adjudication as to the real merits of the railroad commission's famous order. The restraining order runs until the final settlement in the circuit court, although the court itself can dissolve the injunction any time.

CHINA HELPS SOLVE NIPPON PROBLEM

CAN BAR BOLSHIEVIKI MOVING VALUABLE STORES FROM VLADIVOSTOK.

MAKES JAP HELP UNNECESSARY

Effectively Disposes of Delicate Situation—Japs Will Not Dare Raise Objection.

Washington—China has probably solved the Vladivostok problem which has been perplexing the Allies' chancelleries. This suggestion was made in high official quarters here.

It followed receipt by the state department of an unconfirmed rumor from Tokyo and Shanghai that the Bolsheviks in Vladivostok had seized \$50,000,000 worth of war supplies on the docks and were preparing to commandeer Allied and neutral merchant vessels in the harbor. Japanese and Allied warships at Vladivostok, the state department's report said, had cleared for action.

The state department was not the least disturbed over the rumor. Neither were Japanese officials. None of these supplies, it was pointed out, can be moved into Siberia or Russia, without passing Harbin, North China. China has powerful military forces at this point, prepared to act in fullest concert with the occidental Allies.

Should it appear that these supplies will fall into the hands of the Germans, or should it appear that the Bolsheviks might use them in a manner against the Allied interests, China, on her own right, and on her own territory, may refuse to permit them to pass.

The question of the wisdom of permitting an extensive Japanese operation in Siberia seems effectively solved by the strong position of the Chinese at Harbin.

It is recognized that there may be some disposition in Japan to resent the fact that China is allowed to play such a part. According to opinion here, however, this resentment will exist only in the minds of Japanese imperialists who at this stage of world politics will not dare to raise their voices very loud.

EAT MEAT, SAVE WHEAT, NEW LAW

Restrictions On Use of Meat, Except Tuesdays, Lifted By Hoover.

Washington—Temporary suspension of the meatless meal and of the special restrictions against the use of pork Saturdays was announced by the food administration Sunday, March 3 as a readjustment of its food conservation program. Increased meat production and the necessity for still greater saving in wheat, it was declared, make the change advisable.

The suspension is made effective for an indefinite period and it probably will last for three months or longer.

Since restrictions on consumption of mutton and lamb had been lifted previously, the food administration now asks the public for the time being to deny itself in meats only, beef and pork on one day a week—Tuesday.

Increased meat consumption, food administration officials believe, will of itself curtail the use of wheat, and for present there is no intention to add to restrictions already in force against use of flour.

WHEAT FLOUR RULES CHANGED

Dealers Must Now Sell Higher Percentage of Substitutes.

Lansing—Since March 4, dealers must sell one pound of substitute with every pound of wheat flour sold. This is the new order of the federal food administration.

Substitutes must also be sold with graham flour and whole wheat flour in the proportion of six-tenths of a pound substitute for every pound of graham or whole wheat flour sold. In other words, in selling a 25-pound sack of graham or whole wheat flour the dealer must sell 15 pounds of substitutes.

200 SLAVS SUMMARILY HANGED

German Invaders Execute Russ Red Guard Without Trial.

London—According to a semi-official news agency dispatch from Petrograd, a proclamation has been issued by the Bolshevik government under the heading "Importers of German Kultur," asserting that when the Germans entered Wolmar, February 20, 200 persons were arrested and, without any investigation, were hanged in the market place.

Ann Arbor Condemns Water.

Ann Arbor—The city water has become so muddy that the authorities have condemned it for drinking purposes.

15,000 Boys to Help Farmers.

Grand Rapids—C. A. Parsons, of Detroit, state leader for the Boys' Work reserve, told Grand Rapids business men and school teachers here that an effort will be made this year to put nearly 15,000 school boys on the farms in Michigan.

Detroit to Run College of Medicine.

Detroit—With but one dissenting vote the board of education, at its meeting decided to accept the proposition tendered by the Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery that the board take over and assume management of the college, thus making it a municipal institution. The school board voted to include in its supplemental estimates the sum of \$30,000 for the college. The trustees of the college agreed to turn its entire equipment over to the board.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF

East Lansing—Michigan Agricultural college co-eds are blacklisting all girls who waste sugar. The names are posted daily.

Kalamazoo—Tunas Vanderkolk, 5, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Vanderkolk, broke through inundated ice while wading and was drowned.

Corunna—The Biggar Trailer Co. of this place, has received a government order for \$200,000 worth of trailers for the signal corps branch of the army and another order for \$800,000 of shells is expected soon.

Battle Creek—Unless the Calhoun county board of supervisors agrees to the construction of another paved road between Battle Creek and Camp Custer it may be necessary to bar all civilian automobiles from camp to prevent congestion.

Mt. Clemens—A circuit court jury awarded \$394 damages to Walter Braun on judgment against Wilson Hauseneck of Jonesville, Mich. Hauseneck, driving on the wrong side of the street last fall, collided with an automobile driven by Braun.

Camp Custer—According to persistent reports the 85th division will go to France as a depot or replacement division. It will doubtless be placed behind the lines, and as battalions and regiments holding front line sectors need troops to take the place of their casualties, the 85th will furnish them.

Algonac—The parents of Harry Stewart, rescued from the Tuscania, have received a letter from him in which he describes the experiences of being submarined. It all happened so quickly that he could save nothing but his sleeping garments and sweater. He is being well cared for in a village in northern Ireland.

Pontiac—Organization of Oakland county farmers into a league to engage in local politics with a view to electing men "with the farmer's interest at heart," and especially to have the Covert road law's legality tested, or have the law repealed, has been undertaken in three townships. Farmers are contributing funds to test the law.

Flint—Harry Storey, 8, is the hero of Beechwood, a suburb of Flint. His presence of mind saved Willie Hundhammer, 4, from drowning in a sewer manhole containing six feet of water. Mrs. J. Storey heard screams for help and saw her son bending over the hole. She pulled out the Hundhammer boy, to whose coat young Storey was clinging.

Flint—Army supply companies composed of deaf mutes have been suggested by Bert E. Maxson, a local deaf mute. The local war board has sent the suggestion to Washington for consideration. Maxson says deaf mutes can be drilled easily, releasing normal men for trench service. Maxson is an athlete, who was rejected against his wishes by the draft board.

Camp Custer—Germany has this far won the present struggle, which may last another 15 years, was the statement made by Capt. Inches, formerly health officer of Detroit, in an address to officers of the division. Capt. Inches also stated that fraternizing between Austrians and Italians was the direct cause of the Italian retreat. These observations were made when the Detroiters visited the Italian front last year.

Camp Custer—Colonel John Craig, of the Third Hundred and Thirty-third infantry, put in operation a new plan for granting passes which makes the privilege dependable on the actions of the men personally, taking the granting of passes out of the hands of commanders and vesting it in the soldiers. He has divided all men in the regiment into four classes, A, B, C and D, and every man's classification is governed by his record in the army.

Lansing—Michigan will be a veritable fisherman's paradise again this spring and summer and it will not be necessary for the Walton living in the southern part of the state to journey north for his sport, because he will find the waters of the lower peninsula also well stocked. Between 12,000,000 and 14,000,000 brook trout will be distributed by the Michigan fish commission this year, divided among nearly all of the 83 counties of the state. Only five counties have no streams suitable for brook trout.

Detroit—"We probably will have to send seven or eight million men to Europe before we are through," declared Dr. E. J. O'Brien, Detroit physician, who has just returned after months of service with Base hospital No. 17, the Harper hospital unit, at the front in France. "The war will last five years longer, at least," Dr. O'Brien said. "The men we already have sent over are only a handful compared to what we actually need, and are scarcely noticeable, so far as their effect on the firing line is concerned."

Flint—Merton and Theron Bearup, brothers, both married, were arrested on a charge of grand larceny preferred by Grand Trunk officers. It is alleged, the brothers went to Swartz Creek, west of Flint, boarded a Grand Trunk freight train, broke into a car of perishable freight, and when the train reached Flint, threw off about 200 pounds of butter and some other articles, near their home. Most of this stolen property was recovered, it is said, some of it in the homes of the men under arrest, and part of it from persons to whom it had been sold.

Lansing—An S. O. S. call to women to become pharmacists, has been sent out in Michigan. War times have played havoc with the available supply of pharmacists, even assistants, and classes in training have been reduced 80 per cent in the last year. Unless girls and young women come to the rescue the registered pharmacist in Michigan may soon become extinct. H. H. Hoffman, former member of the legislature from Sanilac county, and now a member of the Michigan board of pharmacy, says that young women can save the day.

Flight—George E. Passmore, 30 years old, unmarried, was killed when a cupola at the Flint Foundry plant collapsed.

Escapant—Frank Allen narrowly escaped death when a tree fell on him while he was working in the woods near Belleville. One of his legs was broken.

Battle Creek—Lester Mellen, 25 years old, killed himself at his home here. He left a note saying he feared leaving his invalid mother. He expected to be drafted April 1.

Ann Arbor—Free tuberculosis clinics will be established in many Michigan counties by Dr. E. R. Vander Silice, the new medical director of the Michigan Anti-tuberculosis association.

Houghton—A campaign for the extermination of a few of the countless number of dogs in the copper county is advocated by Garne Warden Foster, who complains that deer are being bothered by the canines.

Detroit—With his hands frozen and swollen, David Dill, a juror, sat for ten days in his place and refused to countenance suggestions that he take time to be treated. "It is my duty to serve as a juror," he told the court.

Mt. Clemens—Undaunted by his failure last fall, Robert I. McConnell, aged 74, of Memphis, obtained a marriage license to wed Jane Ellis, 64, McConnell secured a license last autumn, but the prospective bride deserted him at the altar.

Big Rapids—Big Rapids dealers will sell no sugar without sugar cards. One-half pound per week for each member of the family is the allowance and the whole week's purchase must be made at one time. The cards are given out at the city office.

Flint—John Baker, patrolman, was knocked out by five rioters in an all-night restaurant as he was calling headquarters for assistance. When relief came Baker was unconscious, with Fred Rockwell chained to him by cuffs. Several suspects were arrested.

Kalamazoo—Mr. and Mrs. Renselaer Smith, of Martin, recently celebrated their seventy-second wedding anniversary. Mr. Smith is 98 years old. Mrs. Smith is 87 years old. They have lived in Martin for more than 50 years. They are believed to be the oldest married couple in Michigan.

Lansing—The Michigan industrial accident board has about decided to class Russia as an enemy and to withhold payments to dependents in Russian provinces until after the war. This action will be taken because it is believed that Russia is practically controlled by Germany.

Lansing—Lieut. Gov. Lucien D. Dickinson will not be a candidate for the United States senatorship. Instead, he will likely be a candidate for renomination and re-election as lieutenant governor. Mr. Dickinson confided to friends recently that he had no thought of getting into the senatorial race.

Lansing—L. Whitney Watkins, of Manchester, member of the committee sent east to investigate the seed corn offered to Michigan by a Pennsylvania firm, advised Governor Sleeper not to enter any agreement for the purchase of the corn, and notify Michigan farmers not to purchase this corn. He says the seed will not germinate.

Iron Mountain—W. H. Scandlin, retail dealer of this city, sold Fred Smith 100 pounds of granulated sugar February 1. Last week County Food Administrator O'Hara seized 40 pounds of it, but it is a mystery how the Smith family disposed of the other 60 pounds. The local dealer is also accused of selling flour without substitutes.

Detroit—Because of the shortage of wheat flour, wholesale bakeries have advanced the price of bread. The price of the 16-ounce loaf has gone from 8 to 9 cents, and the wholesale price of the 24-ounce loaf from 11 to 12 1/2 cents. Instead of 9 cents for a 16-ounce loaf the public pays 10 cents. The 24-ounce loaf now costs the consumer 13 1/2 cents instead of 12 cents. George A. Prescott, state food administrator, has approved the advance.

Lansing—Section 923, laws of 1915, provides that property of all officers and enlisted men in the actual service of the United States shall be exempt from execution, levy, seizure or attachment for debts. While it does not exempt from sale for delinquent taxes this provision may be construed by the courts as barring the purchaser of a tax title from perfecting the title he has acquired as against the owner of the property if the owner is a soldier or sailor in actual service.

Grand Rapids—The Michigan Independent Telephone & Traffic association elected these officers: President, C. E. Tarte, Grand Rapids; vice-president, W. J. Melchers, Owosso; secretary, Roy F. Mapes, Grand Rapids. Other directors: A. E. Wells, C. E. Smith, Grand Rapids; L. L. Conn, Owosso; W. B. Serviss, J. P. Gibbs, A. H. McMillan, Saginaw; W. A. Bahke, Alma; R. C. Smith, Homer; Thomas Bromie, Jr., Muskegon; N. F. Wing, Grass Lake; C. G. Fitzsimmons, Reading, and G. L. Hall, Dowagiac.

Traverse City—Grand Traverse cherry growers will demand a uniform price for their fruit in the 1918 season, according to the decision of Grand Traverse peninsula horticulturists. They are unanimous in the agreement that canneries would not be considered unless six cents a pound could be obtained for sweet cherries and three and one-half or four cents for sour. Sour cherries are believed to be a good crop this year. The cold weather has practically destroyed the sweet cherries, according to E. O. Ladd, local fruit expert.

Lansing—"I believe, before the year is closed, a large percentage of commercial bakers will be forced to suspend, declared John W. Symons, Saginaw county food administrator, addressing a prolonged session of county administrators held at the capitol. Mr. Symons stated he based his declaration on recent talks with some of the largest millers in the west. Another startling declaration was the assertion of his belief, "even with the use of substitutes, I do not believe there will be wheat flour enough to last until the next harvest."

DIES PRISONER AFTER 64 YEARS

Pawnee Woman Was Captured by the Cheyennes When but Two Years Old.

STAYED WITH CAPTORS

White Horse Became One of Most Beloved Members of Her Adopted People—Outlived Two Cheyenne Husbands.

Clinton, Okla.—Captured by a hostile band of Cheyennes sixty-four years ago, White Horse, a Pawnee Indian woman, has just died here, still a prisoner, although recognized as a member of the Cheyenne tribe. No effort was ever made at a formal exchange of prisoners between the two tribes. She outlived two Cheyenne husbands.

At the time of the capture the Cheyennes were on the warpath, roving the plains near Omaha, Neb. They met a band of Pawnees who were out on a buffalo hunt and a battle followed. The Cheyennes were victorious.

Among the dead the Cheyenne warriors found a little Pawnee girl. Two of the braves were about to kill her when Chief Heap-of-Birds intervened. "Wait, let me look at her," tribal tradition quotes him. The Indians laid down their tomahawks and permitted Heap-of-Birds to examine the child. "Don't kill her, she has teeth, she can eat," the chief continued. "She is two years old." So the Cheyenne chief adopted the child.

Sang Song of Victory. When the Indians had gone a long distance from the battlefield Curly Hair, a brother of Heap-of-Birds, sang the song of victory with his mighty voice, and while he sang he made a necklace. "This necklace shall be for my little sister," he sang.

Curly Hair's sweetheart was a Sioux woman. She had a beautiful white horse. Curly Hair said, "I will name my little sister after my sweetheart's horse." So the child was called White Horse.

When White Horse grew up she married Old-in-the-Middle. Her first husband died and she married She-Wolf.



1—It is by means of heavy guns such as are shown in this picture that the Italians hope to convince the Teutons along the River Piave that in the twentieth century civilization right only is might. 2—Laborers and soldiers are continually repairing the highways leading to the fighting front wrecked by German shells and heavy traffic. 3—The result of a trench raid; a squad of German prisoners captured by the French and brought into the wire-fenced prison camp.

NEWS REVIEW OF THE PAST WEEK

Japan Offers to Land Troops in Siberia If Allies Say the Word.

EMBASSIES LEAVE PETROGRAD

Traveling Through Bandit-Infested Siberia to Reach Safety—Austria Cannot Break Away From Her Alliance With Germany.

Japan has asked for permission to land troops in Siberia to prevent the vast quantities of munitions and other military stores at Vladivostok and along the lines of the Siberian railroad from falling into the hands of the Germans. It was feared that the Germans might attempt to force the bolsheviks to deliver these stores to the Germans as a part of a peace agreement. Japan announced her willingness to undertake such an expedition by herself or in connection with troops sent by other of the allied nations.

While all officials at Washington are silent and disposed to minimize discussion of the subject it is known that exchanges of opinion are going on with the object of a perfect understanding between Japan, the United States and the other co-belligerents which would make the plan of joint action wholly acceptable to all and thoroughly define its extent and duration.

Russian representatives at Washington oppose action by the Japanese in Siberia, but the co-belligerents are thoroughly alarmed lest the vast quantities of supplies piled up at Vladivostok, bought and paid for with American cash, should fall into the hands of the Germans.

Criticism at home of the failure of Japan to play a larger part in the war is said to have been influential in bringing about the negotiations.

Our boys have had their first taste of the deadly Hun gas. Without warning of any kind gas shells began bursting among the men of an American artillery regiment on the western front, and more than 200 men were down before they could put on gas masks. Eight men died within a few minutes and 200 were taken to hospitals where they suffered every conceivable torture while the doctors worked over them in an effort to get air into their lungs. While the American troops in France have been supplied with gas equipment and with gas shells for the field guns they had never been used. American commanders feeling that they could not bring themselves to so violate all evidences of civilization by such a method of warfare. The gassing of American troops has, however, convinced our commanders at the front that they must fight the Hun in his own way, brutal and inhuman though that way may be, and the Boches will be given a taste of their own weapons.

The strain between Austria and Germany is undoubtedly increasing. Austria's refusal to again attack Russia in spite of Germany's renewal of the war against the bolsheviks has increased the tenseness of the situation existing between the two governments, and it was reported that Germany had practically ordered the Austrian government to send troops into Russia, and that Austria had refused. Austria also refuses to continue the war against Roumania so long as there is a possibility of concluding a peace arrangement with that nation. Poor Roumania, cut off from every possible source of assistance from the outside, without munitions or adequate guns can seemingly do nothing more than accept such peace terms as the Hun may offer.

The most encouraging thing for the future of both Roumania and Russia is the statement made by the allied governments to the effect that any peace that may be forced upon these two countries by the Teutonic nations will not be considered as final, and particularly so if such a peace involves the session of any territory to the nations

of the central powers. The allied nations are committed to the terms of no annexations and no indemnities for Germany or her cohorts. To permit Germany to seize the best provinces of Russia would mean simply preparing the German people for a repetition of their attack on the world's freedom in the future.

The speech of Count von Hertling, German imperial chancellor, before the reichstag, in reply to President Wilson's most recent address before congress regarding the war aims of the United States, is not regarded by leaders in the United States or England as increasing the chance for peace. Count von Hertling professed acceptance of the four principles of a democratic peace enunciated by President Wilson and disclaimed any intention of conquest but these professions have not convinced President Wilson and his advisers. It is said, that Germany is ready to forgo ambitions of conquest. Other parts of the chancellor's speech are regarded as conclusive proof that Germany intends retaining control, in one form or another, of nearly all the foreign territory that she now occupies.

Count von Hertling's reference to Belgium is far from satisfactory. While hinting that Germany does not contemplate annexing Belgium, the chancellor proposes to impose conditions which would restrict the freedom of action of the kingdom and place it at the mercy of the Teutonic empire.

The entire point of view was expressed by one distinguished diplomat who declared that von Hertling's speech has effectively closed the door to further peace talk. "Belgium is a question of honor," he declared. "It cannot be discussed. So long as the enemy refuses to do justice to Belgium they cannot be expected to perform justice in any other instances."

While the long-distance debate between the statesmen of the belligerent countries has been looked upon with approval by leaders of thought in this country on the theory that no chance of effecting a peace on terms acceptable to the allies should be overlooked, at the same time there has been a feeling that the continued peace talk may have a harmful effect upon the public morale in the allied countries. There has been a determination in Washington not to permit any peace discussions to delay war preparations for one minute, and the only harmful effect, it is declared, would be upon the spirit of the people.

While there are still conflicting opinions as to whether Germany will undertake a real offensive on the western front this spring, reports coming indirectly from Germany indicate that the German public is being prepared for the tremendous losses that must result if such an offensive is attempted. Dispatches from Stockholm declare that the German high command has given the executive committee of the reichstag the confidential information that the contemplated offensive will cost Germany a million men. For this staggering price, it is declared, General von Hindenburg and General von Ludendorff have absolutely guaranteed success. Leaders of the majority in the reichstag are said to be reconciled to the offensive as the only thing left for Germany to do, but there is a widespread feeling of pity and horror that a million lives should be sacrificed when victory, however great it may be, will not force peace. The Germans, it is declared, at the most, expect that a big military victory will convince America and England that Germany is unbeatable and to make the western world amenable to suggestions for a peace conference.

While the allied commanders realize that the expected German offensive will be a staggering blow to withstand, they are confident that the western line will hold, and that the Hun plans will result in defeat for the central powers. America will soon have half a million men on the western front, England has added nearly half a million more men and while the French army is not any larger in numbers than it was, it is stronger in guns and munitions, and the determination of French troops to defeat Germany is stronger if possible, than it was during the long months of the Verdun campaign.

Both the English, the French and the

American forces occupy splendid positions throughout practically the entire line. They are in nearly all cases on the high ground, and it is these strong defensive positions against which Germany must throw her shock troops in massed battalions. The price these troops will pay for even an attempt to break through will be terrific, and in all probability more than the million men von Hindenburg has prophesied. It is not likely that even the iron discipline of the German army will withstand such losses.

Possibility of a disagreement between the United States and Spain because of the refusal of the latter country to supply certain war materials to General Pershing was removed by the signing of an economic agreement, under which General Pershing will get mules, army blankets and other materials from Spain in return for cotton, oil and other commodities from the United States. Success of these negotiations was welcomed by officials in Washington as ability to buy supplies in Spain will save ship tonnage and enable General Pershing to build up his reserve stores more rapidly. The United States was able to bring pressure to bear upon Spain by refusing fuel to Spanish steamers in American ports.

The German invasion of Russia mysteriously slowed up and on March 1st it was reported from London that the forward movement of the Huns had been stopped on orders from Berlin. At the same time reports from Petrograd were to the effect that the bolsheviks were preparing to make the best possible defense of that city if it was attacked.

On February 28 it was reported from Petrograd that the allied ambassadors had left the Russian capital for Siberia. It is unlikely that they will be able to reach the Pacific coast at Vladivostok in less than three weeks, and the probabilities are that they will be seriously molested by the mobs of armed bandits that are roaming the country from the Ural mountains to beyond Lake Baikal. The bolsheviks have practically no control of any kind beyond the Ural mountains, though it claims to have suppressed the so-called Siberian republic.

Every report received from Austria indicates that that country would willingly seek peace on any fairly reasonable basis offered by the allies. If it were possible for her to do so, but she is so dominated by German influence that it is hardly possible for her to break away. The hold of Germany is maintained through the Austrian army which has been very largely Germanized since the war began.

So it is believed that Austria will have to remain in her unholy partnership despite her war weariness. She has lost 3,500,000 men, her food situation is desperate, and the future, even if Germany could win, is dark for her, for a greater Germany would only mean a more potent Austria, but she cannot break away. She must continue in the war under pain of being stamped on by the nation that has her in its power.

That is how our allies regard the Austrian situation, and is the explanation of their lukewarmness toward the American effort to widen the rift between the kaiser and Emperor Carl.

The German socialists have not taken kindly to the German government's attitude toward President Wilson's last peace message. During the debate in the reichstag on von Hertling's speech Philipp Scheidemann, socialist, took the emperor to task for his reply to the address of the burgomaster of Hamburg, in which the emperor said: "We desire to live in friendship with neighboring peoples, but victory for the German arms must first be recognized."

"The imperial chancellor frankly stated yesterday that he accepted President Wilson's four principles," said Scheidemann. "This declaration is all the more important when one considers that President Wilson emphasized that his principles were accepted everywhere except by the German military and annexationist party. Well, this party, fortunately, is in this country no longer of decisive importance."

In observed behind the German front. Different uniforms have been seen in the German trenches. The new troops are apparently more cautious than the old ones, although a band was heard.

Air observers report an increase in the train movements behind the German front.

A German observation balloon which was observed opposite the American front was compelled to descend by the accuracy of the American artillery.

THE KITCHEN CABINET

To be honest, to be kind, to earn a little and to spend less, to make up on the whole a family happier for his presence, to renounce when necessary and not be embittered, to keep a few friends, but these without capitulation, above all on the same grim condition to keep friends with himself, here is a task for all that a man has of fortitude and delicacy.—R. L. Stevenson.

MORE GOOD THINGS.

As eggs are high, they may be saved in breadings cutlets or fish or meat. Add two tablespoonsful of water to an egg; it will go much further and be equally good.

Boston Brown Bread.—Mix a cupful of coarse bread crumbs, a cupful of cornmeal, a cupful of graham flour, one and a half teaspoonfuls of soda, a half teaspoonful of salt, three-fourths of a cupful of molasses and a cupful of water. Steam two hours.

Cabbage and Walnut Salad.—Take five cupsful of cabbage and a cupful of walnuts put through a meat chopper, then well mixed. Heat one and a half cupsful of vinegar with four teaspoonfuls of sugar, add a tablespoonful of butter, two beaten eggs, a teaspoonful each of mustard and flour and a half cupful of milk. Cook until thick, add a dash of cayenne and serve.

Fig Pudding.—Take a cupful of molasses, a half cupful of sweet milk, a half cupful of shortening, one egg, a teaspoonful of soda, a half teaspoonful of cinnamon, a half pound of chopped figs and two and a half cupsful of flour. Steam three and a half hours. Serve with whipped cream.

Macaroni Salmon.—Wash a half can of salmon with a fork. To a half cupful of rich milk add four tablespoonfuls of fine bread crumbs; when hot add one tablespoonful of butter, two well-beaten eggs, a dash of paper and a half teaspoonful of salt. Mix well, line buttered cups with cooked macaroni and fill with salmon. Set cups in hot water and bake 20 minutes. Serve hot.

Another Macaroni Dish.—Break in inch pieces a fourth of a package of macaroni and boil with salt to taste. When tender put a layer of macaroni in a buttered dish, a layer of grated cheese and soft bread crumbs. Repeat then pour over a cupful of rich milk which has been mixed with a beaten egg. Bake slowly until nicely browned.

Rhubarb Bread Pudding.—Four boiling water over a pint of stale bread crumbs and let stand until soft, then drain and add one beaten egg, one teaspoonful of sugar, a grating of nutmeg. Have ready buttered cups, and put into each a half tablespoonful of cooked rhubarb, well sweetened, and put over the crumb mixture, and bake. Cake crumbs or slices of stale sponge cake may be used and served with whipped cream.

Today is your day and mine
The only day we have
The day in which we play our part.
What our part may signify in the great world we may not understand.
But we are here to play it, and now is our time.
—David Starr Jordan.

THE APPETIZING FISH.

When fresh fish are not obtainable there is such a variety of canned fish that one need never be at a loss to find something appetizing for fish days or meatless meals.

Herring Salad.—Cook salt herring 15 minutes in boiling water to cover, drain, cool and shred in flakes. Add an equal quantity of cooked potatoes, a half cupful of celery, a tablespoonful of chopped onion, the chopped whites of two cooked eggs with a good boiled dressing. Cover the yolk of egg put through a ricer.

Codfish With Sour Cream.—Prepare salt codfish as usual and serve it with a sauce made of sour cream thickened with two tablespoonfuls each of flour and butter cooked together with a cupful and a half of sour cream.

Finnan Haddock.—Cook haddock in a delicious boiled until tender then served with a drawn butter sauce for a breakfast dish.

Creamed Finnan Haddock.—Cook haddock in a delicious boiled until tender then served with a drawn butter sauce for a breakfast dish. Add a half cupful of green pepper, well chopped, with a fourth of a cupful of sweet fat, stirring and cooking for five minutes. Add four tablespoonfuls of flour, a half teaspoonful of salt, a dash of cayenne and paprika. Pour on gradually a cupful of milk and a cupful of cream. Bring to the boiling point and cook three minutes. Reserve half a cupful of this sauce and to the remainder add one and a half cupfuls of flaked finnan haddock. When hot fill the center of a rice border with the fish and pour around it the reserved sauce. Garnish with canned pimientos. Add more salt if needed.

Salmon Loaf With Peas.—Season a can of a well-flaked salmon with a teaspoonful of lemon juice, add a beaten egg and a cupful of cold, white sauce. Steam in a mold and serve on a platter surrounded with creamed peas.

Gone to Grass.

In Spain there are shoes made of grass, and they will wear for 25 years. But we'd as soon eat grass as rely on it for footwear, and who wants to wear a pair of shoes 25 years, anyhow?—Buffalo Times.

Typewriting on Parchment Fades. It has been found that typewriting on parchment deeds is not durable. In deeds deposited within very recent years many lines are illegible and several lines have completely disappeared.

Tunny fish is a delicious variety which may be made into salads or served as one does salmon with lemon for garnish.

Wouldn't shape a noble life? Then cast No backward glances toward the past, And though somewhat be lost and gone, Yet do thou act as one new-born.

What each day needs thou shalt ask, Each day will set its proper task.
—Goethe.

THE TASTY RHUBARB.

Rhubarb is a most valuable spring tonic, being filled with oxalic acid which contains purgative properties which are particularly good for a sluggish liver.

Rhubarb Pudding.—Place slices of buttered bread in a baking dish, heap over them finely cut rhubarb, with sugar, a little water and a dash of nutmeg; bake until the rhubarb has soaked the bread. Serve from the baking dish.

Rhubarb Custard Pie.—Add to two well beaten eggs two tablespoonfuls of cornstarch mixed with a cupful of milk, a half cupful of sugar and a cupful of cooked sweetened rhubarb. Pour this mixture into a pastry-lined plate and bake. Cover with a meringue if so desired, or serve with whipped cream well sweetened.

Rhubarb Whip.—When eggs are more plentiful, try this: Beat the whites of three eggs to a stiff froth, add three tablespoonfuls of powdered sugar and a teaspoonful of lemon juice, then a pint of stewed rhubarb. Sprinkle the top with nuts when serving.

Rhubarb and Raisin Pie.—Add equal amounts of raisins and chopped rhubarb to the crust, as usual. For children, this may be cooked as sauce, making a most tasty one.

Rhubarb Sage Pudding.—Sage or tapioca for this. Soak a cupful of sage in a quart of water, add a teaspoonful of salt. Thin with hot water until like heavy cream, then pour over a dish of cut rhubarb sweetened to taste, and bake one hour. Serve with whipped cream.

The day returns and brings us the petty round of irritating concerns and duties. Help us to play the man, help us to perform them with laughter and with kind faces; let cheerfulness abound with industry.

CORNMEAL DAY.

The following recipes, many of them, call for eggs; try using a tablespoonful of molasses as a substitute for each egg.

Corn Sally Lunn.—Sift together one pint of white flour with a pint of yellow cornmeal, add three teaspoonfuls of baking powder,

two tablespoonfuls of sugar and a level teaspoonful of salt. Add three well-beaten eggs, a pint of sweet milk, two tablespoonfuls of melted shortening. Beat well and bake in well-greased muffin pans 25 minutes.

Johnny Cake.—To one cupful of yellow cornmeal add one cupful of flour, one teaspoonful of salt, one well-beaten egg, one cupful of sour cream, and a teaspoonful of soda, one-half cupful of molasses. Beat well and bake in a well-greased pan in a hot oven.

Indian Apple Pudding.—To one quart of scalded milk add one cupful of cornmeal, cook until smooth and thick. Add a teaspoonful of cinnamon, three-fourths of a cupful of sugar, one-half cupful of butter, two well-beaten eggs, one-half a teaspoonful of salt and a pint of chopped sweet apples. Mix and bake in a moderate oven two and one-half hours. Serve hot with sauce.

Indian Date Pudding.—Scald a pint of milk, add a fourth of a cupful of cornmeal and cook until thick. Add a teaspoonful of butter, one-fourth of a cupful of sugar, one-half cupful of dates cut in small pieces, two well-beaten eggs and one-fourth of a teaspoonful each of cinnamon and salt. Mix well and bake in a buttered pudding dish in a hot oven until firm. Serve with lemon sauce.

Cornmeal Peach Pudding.—Mix together one cupful each of cornmeal, whole-wheat flour and white flour, add two cupfuls of thick sour milk, a teaspoonful of soda, a half teaspoonful of salt, a half cupful of molasses, one pint of canned peaches cut fine and drained of their juice. Steam three hours and serve with sauce made from the peach juice.

Nellie Maxwell

Compensations.

No one can do really good work without making money along with it. In this day and generation, when good workmen are at a premium. If you are a good workman, working for the love of your work as well as for its money value, you may know that you will find your compensation in it. And it will be more than a money compensation, you may be very sure.

"Let the Sunshine In."

"It is well known," says the Chicago health bulletin, "that plants will not thrive without sunshine. The same is true of human beings. The home and workshop should have plenty of sunshine."

How to Teach.

A most important point for the mother to realize is the necessity of sticking to the lessons she needs to teach, every single day, until the right habits are permanently formed in her child.

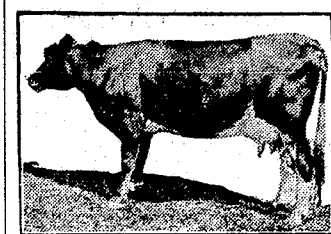
DAIRY FACTS

JERSEY IS HEAVY PRODUCER

Milk Scales and Butterfat Test Determine Whether Cow Is Producing Profitably or Not.

The milk scales and the butterfat test tell the story of whether a cow is producing or not. Jerseys have been making and breaking records for production with great rapidity during the past year. More cows are now being tested than ever have been in the past, and the individual and average production is higher than in other years.

In May, three years ago, a list of Jersey cows on yearly test that were



Jersey Cow of Merit.

producing over 50 pounds of butterfat per month was published for the purpose of keeping breeders informed as to the month-by-month production of cows on test. There were 132 cows in the first list. Three years later, May, 1917, saw 457 cows in the 50-pound list. This means that 457 Jersey cows on test were producing at the rate of more than 50 pounds of butterfat, or 60 pounds of butter in that month. At present 500 Jersey cows on test are producing at the rate of 600 pounds of butterfat, or 750 pounds of butter per year.

TREATMENT OF KICKING COW

Care and Patience Will Effect Cure if Right Methods Are Used—Two Ways of Tying.

Care and patience will cure the kicking cow if the proper methods are employed. One method is to pass a rope or strap with a loop in one end of it around the body of the cow and draw it tight. The cow will usually jump at first, but when she finds she cannot get out of the rope she will stand still. If this method causes the cow to give bloody milk, place the rope or strap behind the udder, and draw it tight as before.

Another method is to hobble the cow by passing the rope around each leg behind the udder, and tying just above the hocks. This method is a dangerous one, however, for the person tying the rope. After these methods have been repeated a few times the cow will stand quietly to be milked.

DAIRY IS A FIXED INDUSTRY

Where That Feeling Exists There Is Disposition to Raise Heifers or Baby Beef.

The farm dairy is becoming more of a fixed industry, and where this feeling exists there is a disposition to raise the calves—the heifers for the dairy or to be sold for dairy purposes, and the better calves will generally be fed into some form of baby beef as the feed and circumstances suggest.

WARM WATER MUCH CHEAPER

Otherwise Cow Must Burn High-Priced Corn and Other Feeds for That Purpose.

If the cows are forced to drink cold water they must warm the water in their bodies. This requires food in the form of corn and other feeds. It is much cheaper to warm the water with wood or coal than to allow the cow to burn high priced fuel in her body for this purpose.

SHORTHORNS GOOD FOR MILK

There Are Some That Are Excellent Producers, but They Are Not of the Beef Type.

A back-to-the-lander wants to know about the Shorthorns as milk producers. There are some dairy Shorthorns that are excellent milk and butter animals. But one can no more make a dairy animal of the beef type Shorthorn than make a trotter out of a Belgium horse.

Raise More Calves.

The farmer and dairymen who expects to continue in the business will find it to his interest to raise a number of calves each year to replace older cattle that have been disposed of.

Bedding Doubly Useful.

Use sufficient straw for bedding to make the animals comfortable and to absorb the liquid excrement. Nearly half the plantfood elements in animals' manure occurs in the urine.

Develop Better Calves.

Every farm dairymen should breed, feed and develop a better lot of calves each year that he remains in the business.

Cow With Biggest Appetite.

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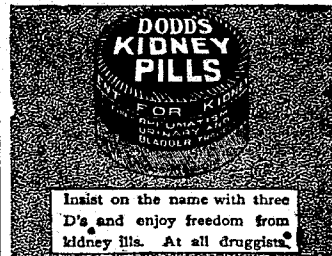
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To Cut Prices.

Ex-Mayor Mitchell of New York was talking at a dinner about war prices. "These war prices are staggering," he said. "They're very hard to combat, too. When a man comes along with a simple easy method for bringing war prices down to the pre-war level, his idea is apt to be about as valuable as Josh's."

"Josh said at the club one day: 'The high cost of living is fierce, but I can tell you how to cut your bills in half.'"

"How? How?" the big clubman chorused.

"Use an ordinary pair of shears," said Josh."

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, MAR. 7



United in the
Service of our
Country.

LEAVE FOR NATIONAL ARMY.

Farewell Assembly to Fred Hunter and Joe Kespi.

The fourth contingent of Crawford county's contribution to the National army left Grayling Tuesday night. The lucky men are Joe Kespi and Fred Hunter.

Mr. Kespi had been an employee for R. Hanson & Sons for several years and was considered one of their most reliable and faithful employees. Mr. Hunter has resided in Grayling for the last year and was the salesman for the National Biscuit company for several counties in this part of Michigan.

Altho the number about to leave was small, the crowd that assembled to bid them farewell and God speed was correspondingly large. There were a number of excellent and inspiring talks appropriate to the occasion.

To open the evening's program the Grayling band under direction of their leader Ed Clark, played a most pleasing overture. They were loudly applauded. After this number Rev. Mitchell gave the invocation.

Mayor T. Hanson acted as master of ceremonies and introduced Mrs. Arthur Plum of Bay City, who spoke briefly on the subject of "Registration of women." Mrs. Plum has been spending several days in this county to instruct some of our ladies in making out registrations. She also made a strong appeal to the people to be more conserving in food. She said the food question was a great problem and important, since our boys were under the waters and needed supplies.

A. M. Lewis read a most interesting paper on the matter War-Savings certificates and thrift stamps. He made the matter plain to all who heard him and no doubt the energy toward promoting the sales of these stamps will be increased thereby.

Mrs. Olaf Michelson, secretary of the Red Cross, read a most interesting story of "How the Rainbow Division Slipped Away."

Supt. Otterbein gave a talk that was full of interest and bound to make people think. Many of the ideas he advanced were the outcome of matters of history. He defined in a most interesting manner the psychology of militarists and pacifists.

Melvin A. Bates, a member of the registration board, presented the honored guests of the evening with the usual necessary small articles for a soldier—comfort kit and housewife. Also each man received a check from R. Hanson of \$25, similar amounts of which he gave all the other boys that left Crawford county.

The chairman, T. W. Hanson, closed the meeting with a brief but interesting talk, after which all were invited to the gymnasium where dancing was enjoyed for a few hours.

Messrs. Kespi and Hunter left on the night train, bound for Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. where they will enter into the training for a soldier.

Oak First for Tables.

Oak was the wood first used in tables then walnut came into general use in the middle of the seventeenth century. An early form of table was the chair table, convenient because it served the purpose of a seat when the top was lifted and stood against the side of the room. But gradually the table took its present form and use. It became the custom to leave the board upon the trestle instead of removing both, and in time the piece of furniture was called the table.

High School Basket Ball Games.

Since our last publication our High School basket ball team has participated in three games.

On Friday night of last week the team lost to Bay City Western by a score of 18 to 30. In this game it is reported that our boys not only had to play on a strange floor but they also had to play against a referee that seemed bound to have the Bay City team win.

The score in the first half of the game was 11 to 6 in favor of Bay City. Our coach, Mr. Loring, says that our boys were penalized for the least provocation and their opponents were given liberal privilege to go the limit. Bay City's scores in this half were mostly made by free throws.

In the second half Grayling played a game that was masterful and showed great generalship and system, and soon were ahead of their opponents. Then in order to play a safe case we went out of the game because of having four personal fouls. Soon after Thompson, our star center, was taken from the game. With these two setbacks the team and with an apparently prejudiced referee, of course Bay City won. Our boys have challenged the Bay City team to play a game on a neutral floor with a neutral referee, the winning team to have all proceeds of the game and the losing team to pay their own expenses. This challenge has not yet been accepted by Bay City.

GRAYLING-ALPENA.

Our boys played Alpena here at home Saturday night of last week and won by a score of 18 to 31. At the end of the first quarter Alpena had 5 points to Grayling's 1. Hardly had the second quarter begun before it was plain to be seen that the visitors were due for a drubbing. Basket after basket was made by Grayling and the opponents had all they could do on the defensive without trying to make many points. The game ended with a score of 31 to 18 in favor of Grayling.

In a preliminary game the Junior high team walloped the Boy scouts. The game was fast and furious, and resulted in a score of 18 to 12.

GRAYLING-GAYLORD.

Last night Gaylord high school team came down for a return game. These teams played two twenty-minute halves with ten minutes intermission. Gaylord scored the first points and it looked as tho we were going to have a real battle. The visitors' lead was but for brief duration. With the fast and accurate passing of the ball by Grayling, we doubt if there is a team in Michigan that could hold them back from making points.

The score for the first half was 26 to 6 in favor of Grayling. In the second half Grayling made 20 points while their opponents rung up another half dozen. The final score was 46 to 12. In the middle of the last half Chamberlain and Roeser retired to give McClain and Papendick a chance to play.

In spite of the wide margin in points it was a good game to see. This was the last game of the season for Grayling on the home floor. Next week they will compete for State championship honors at Ypsilanti.

Accommodating Miller.

A little girl spent half an hour trying to capture a big miller that was flying about the room.

Finally the child, with a shout of triumph, cornered the moth, and soon had it imprisoned in a chubby hand.

When the miller finally lay still and quiet the child opened her hand.

"What is it, dear?" her mother asked.

Then she gave an ejaculation of amazement: "This miller has put about 200 eggs right in my hand," the youngster replied.

The father, who had been reading his paper, looked up and said: "Run out, Mabel, and see if you can catch a hen."

An Adamant Edon.

The Seated Lady—The great charm of this place is its absolute loneliness. Day after day one has these lovely sands and sea and rocks and sky all to oneself.

The Other—Really. And have you been here long?

Seated Lady—Since the beginning of the week.

The Other—And are you going to stay in this delightful place much longer?

Seated Lady—Another ten days—unless my landlady will let me off the last week.

Coy News.

Miss Gladene Newton spent Sunday with Miss Dora Nolan.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Scott and son, Vernon visited with their son Oliver and family.

Klath, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Newton, was very ill a few days last week.

Mrs. Jos. Aasm spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. S. McGillis.

Miss Marguerite Scott spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Miss Gladene Newton.

On account of the roads being bare, the log haulers had to make a new road.

Miss Carrie McGillis is still on the sick list not fully recovered from the chicken-pox.

Oliver B. Scott took his son Wesley to Mercy hospital at Grayling last Thursday where he had his tonsils removed. Dr. C. C. Cunniff performing the operation. Wesley is getting along fine.

Miss Elsie Hollowell commenced school Monday in District No. 2.

Miss Helen Richardson visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Richardson over Sunday.

Mrs. S. McGillis visited her daughter Carrie at Mr. Shirey's Sunday.

Marguerite and Leroy Scott and Ferda Shirey spent Sunday evening with James Nolan and family.

Joseph Scott buzzed about 50 cards of wood Monday.

The Republican and Democrat caucus will be held in the Head school house Saturday the 9th day of March.

Eldorado Nuggets.

James Williams, who recently returned from the DeCous Sanitarium, Detroit, after having two cancers removed, is slowly improving in health.

John McMaster is spending a few days in Mio and vicinity.

Several members of the Jesse Duffell family are reported quite ill.

Mrs. Margaret Wehnes is visiting Mrs. John McMaster for a few days.

Mrs. Mattie Fensch is improving after a short, but severe, illness.

Courad Wehnes returned Tuesday after a week's visit in the southern part of the State.

O. B. Scott, Joseph J. Royce and James F. Crane have been appointed by the Governor as members of the War Preparedness committee of South Branch Township.

Resolutions of Sympathy.

WHEREAS, Death has entered our Circle and taken away one of our oldest members, our beloved sister Mary Love, whom we all honored and respected.

RESOLVED, That in the death of our sister our circle loses one who was ever active and zealous in her work, ever ready to help the needy and distressed of the fraternity, and devoted to its welfare and prosperity. One who was wise in council and whose virtues endeared her not only to the members of this order, but to all who knew her.

RESOLVED, That Garfield Circle No. 16 Ladies of the G. A. R., do extend to the bereaved family our deepest sympathy.

RESOLVED, That we drape our charter for 30 days, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and a copy be spread upon the pages of our records as a tribute to her memory.

EVA WINGARD,

CELIA GRANGER,

CORDELIA MCCLAIN.

War-Savings Societies Organized.

Last Sunday afternoon Father Riess organized three War-Savings societies in St. Mary's Congregation of this city. The whole parish is practically organized. The married people's society elected as its officers Mr. Chas. Troum as president and Mrs. J. E. Crowley as secretary; the Young people's society have as president Mr. Earle E. Hewitt and Miss Bernadette Cassidy as secretary and the Junior Society elected Eugene Karpus as president and Lucille McPhee as secretary. The object of these societies is to teach and practice thrift and economy in all things and above all to invest in Thrift Stamps and U. S. Baby Bonds—War-Savings Stamps. Every one is very enthusiastic and is working hard to make each society a success. Monthly meetings will be held and a report according to the U. S. War-Saving plan will be given.

Father Riess explained to his congregation that by refraining from unnecessary expenditures and by systematically saving the foundation for thrift and economy both for old and young will be laid and thus consistent saving will prove a vital step toward personal success and also provide a secure method by which small investors may put their savings at the immediate service of their country. This is the key that America holds for the successful prosecution of the war, for "United we stand, divided we fall."



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SUBSCRIBER FOR THE AVALANCHE.

What Dan Reed of U. S. Food Commission to France Told 5,000 People At Two Big Overflow Meetings At Flint.

(Flint Journal of Feb. 11.)

Our boys are in sunny France, but they are not in the sunny part of France.

The fact that our boys are over there fighting for us places a responsibility on us that we must meet or be branded as traitors.

The thought that clings to me—the one that I can't shake off—is a little phrase of our guide who, time and again pointing out a few scattered bricks or a piece of curb, said "There was a town."

When the day air raiders come, the little children, playing in the street, look up and then run for cover, for all the world like little chickens when the hawk appears.

The shell that hits you you never hear.

The Germans will never take Verdun.

Over here in America we don't yet know the fundamental principles of patriotism. We haven't yet realized that we've got a country that is worth fighting for.

Germany is spending \$600,000 a month in Switzerland alone to try and make you think as they want you to think.

Tonight you people must become apostles to saving and thrift to the end that we will back those boys over there to the limit.

Herbert Hoover is loved and admired in Belgium. They know him over there.

And now the time has come when we must say to the Hun: "Take your bloody hands off the throats of women and children and keep them off."

To you people my message is that the blood of our soldiers will be on your hands unless you save and conserve the food—the wheat and the fat—that is necessary to feed our boys over there.

When America told the people of France that we would send 20,000 airplanes and a million men over they believed it; they believe implicitly in what we have said to them and we've got to make good.

If it takes five years to get our 100,000,000 people into this war and behind our soldiers ready to strike one blow as a unit, it will take that long to win the war, and our boys in the high school today will be in it before it's over.

The time has come when we can call ourselves a nation; when the man who refuses to line up and support the government and the things we are standing for will be taken out and shot.

The soldiers of America and France are farming behind the lines in France during their rest periods, to supply the food that is needed for them to eat, while the farmers in this country are quibbling over the price of wheat before they raise it. It takes \$3 trainloads of food a day to supply our boys over there.

A finer group of men I've never seen in uniform than our boys in France. This talk about them not living straight comes from Germany. They are many per cent better men than the best young men in our communities at home.

We will be proud of our boys over there and what they are doing for their country and my hope is that when they come back they will be as proud of the people over here.

HOW TO ELIMINATE THE KAISER.

BY MRS. FAYE WILDER, MORENCI, MICH.

Uncle Sam's knights are on their way to old Berlin.

To eliminate Kaiser Wilhelm and all of his kind.

His friends, satellites and right hand bower.

Who mistreat the poor wretches who fall into their power.

They deserve a million heathenish, heathen deaths to die.

Worse than dumb brutes, snakes, eagles or the innocent fly.

Like the angle-worm, with a fishhook run from end to end.

Or the unsuspecting fish caught when for food it would fend.

Like an angry bull, he should have a ring in his nose.

Tied to a post, lashed, beaten, scourged and conquered by his foes.

Slash his throat like a hog, a cow or a sheep on butchering day.

Then scald him, pull out his hair and skin him till life ebbs away.

Hang him up, cut him into chunks and slice from one end to another.

Grind him into hamburger and use his hide for shoe strings or leather.

Gouge out his eyes, cut off his nose and ears, and out his serpent tongue.

Crush in his chest and skull and mash his brain, stomach, kidneys and lung.

Thrust a sabre thru his abdomen and neck, and enter his lungs.

And tear his esophagus, diaphragm, liver, spleen and limbs far apart.

Rip his blasphemous, sneering, domineering vile mouth from ear to ear.

So he can never enjoy sauerkraut, hamburger, kishes, tobacco and beer.

Put poisoned gas in his lungs and sweat, from his satanic head to his shoe soles.

And perforate every bit of his body with salted wounds and bullet holes.

Cover him with concentrated lye and bury him alive in the presence of his kin.

Make him dig his own and friends' graves, or prepare his funeral pyre.

Drown him, choke him, smother him and sink him in the salt sea mire.

Make him stand attention for days naked in the ice, rain, snow and sleet.

And then when he runs or begs for mercy, shoot off his arms, head and feet.

Put him in a Zeppelin or other air craft, and send him miles in the sky.

Fire cannon at him, then push him out and enjoy the guilty wretch's cry.

As he falls to earth with a dull, sickening, otherwise pitiful thud.

And nothing left of him but a heap of quivering bones, flesh and blood.

His corpse could be made into fertilizer and commercial glycerine.

But by no means leave a vestige of him, but his agonized scream.

As he scrambles, gasps, writhes and heaves coal in the depths of hell.

With the Sultan of Turkey, the Emperor of Austria and others he loves so well.

Or put him in a U-boat, shut off the air and allow the devilish thing to sink.

While he's suffocating or drowning perhaps he'll have time to repent and think.

Mrs. Wilder explains in a foot note that she is not naturally bloodthirsty and brutal. The finer lines, upon analysis, prove as much. We infer that she is perhaps, like many of us, a bit angry at the Kaiser. Most any one of the vermin would go pretty hard on Wilhelm, but Mrs. Wilder is simply taking no chances on anything like premature burial. The Kaiser is not supposed to survive even the first verse, but human nature is peculiar and tastes vary, so that those who would visit vengeance on the German emperor are left, possibly, to select the verse supplying means that most appeals to their own ideas of brotherly love, etc., their abilities of execution and according to the degree they believe the Kaiser to have offended, as in the case of Mrs. Wilder. We doubt if Mrs. Wilder once got hold of the

head of the Hohenzollern family, whether he would ever live to tell the tale.

According to a report by the American consul at Geneva, Swiss livestock quotations near the end of 1917 were: Oxen, each \$230; bulls, \$170; cows, \$260; calves, \$180; young pigs, \$14; sheep, \$14; fat hogs, per pound, 32 cents.

How Cotton is Utilized.

The United States is the "land of cotton." Nowhere else in the world is cotton grown in such abundance, and put to such a variety of uses, according to Popular Science Monthly. The fiber is made into cloth; the oil from the seeds is used as a cheap substitute for olive oil and as a basis for lard, and now the seeds themselves are being ground into flour and used for food purposes. Gingersnaps and jumbles are made from it, and it is mixed with finely-chopped meat and tied in sausage links. To make the cottonseed sausage, three pounds of sausage meat is mixed with one pound of cottonseed flour. This flour is said to contain as much nutrition as the meat which it takes the place of, and to effect a saving of 8 cents a pound on the sausage.

WANTS

Advertisements will be accepted under this heading at the rate of 5 cents per line. No adv. taken for less than 15 cents. There are about six words to the line. SEND MONEY WITH THE ORDER.

LOST—A lavalier and chain this afternoon on Main street, between the postoffice and bakery. Return to this office.

FOR SALE—A good new milch cow and calf. F. M. Freeland, Grayling, Michigan. 2-7-2

FOR SALE—Household goods consisting of Dining table; Dining chair; Leather upholstered couch; 3-burner oil stove with oven; refrigerator; fruit cans; kitchen cabinet, and other articles. These goods will be on sale at the home of F. A. Eckstein, corner Chestnut and Vine streets. Owner moving to Philadelphia and wishes to sell at once. Phone 1021. Capt. W. M. Case.

WANTED—To buy a large size heating stove for school house. Anyone having such stove for sale, notify Geo. Annis, Grayling, or phone Country line, or notify Avalanche office. tf.

ANYONE wishing quilts made, either pieced, quilted or tied call on Mrs. Watta, Peninsula avenue, near Louisa. Work neatly done. tf.

FOR SALE—Heavy work horse, one top buggy and single harness. Telephone Country line, Alton Brott, Postoffice, Grayling. 2-28-3

FOR SALE OR RENT—Write me for description of 120 acres in South Branch Township, on which I can give an easy deal. Some timber, some fruit etc. Mr. B. Tyler, 2549 4th St. Columbus Ohio. 2-28-3

FOR SALE—Columbia Photograph and a large number of records and case for 10 inch records; one second hand bicycle and all store will be sold cheap. Peter Jensen. 2-28-2

FOR SALE—Team of farm horses, weight about 2200 lbs., age 12 years, absolutely sound and in good condition. \$500 each if taken at once. John T. Parsons, Frederic, Mich. 2-28-4

FOR SALE—Standard Oil Company's team of horses. Inquire of D. Hoen. Phone 263. 2-28-3

FOR RENT—Furnished room located opposite Game & Burrows market. Inquire at the Avalanche office.

FOUND—Bunch of keys on horseshoe ring. In the bunch are several keys, a skeleton key, bottle opener, house key and a double key. Owner may call at the Avalanche office for same.

OF INTEREST TO WORKINGMEN

We want to call your attention to our line of

Work Shirts

We have them in qualities to suit your requirements and in sizes to fit all. This is one of the best lines you have ever had offered you in Grayling. Buy now for future needs while we have the quality and stock.

Work Shoes

We have used care in selecting a line of work shoes to meet all demands for wearing quality. Made in good, plain lasts that combine comfort with worth.

Business and Work Suits

We have a special lot of splendid garments in sizes 25 to 39, that we offer for prices ranking between

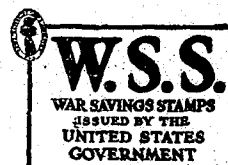
\$8.00 and \$15.00 per suit

These are genuine bargains in quality and prices and must be seen to be appreciated.

We have a good line of Work
Gloves and Mittens

SALLING,
HANSON CO.

Established 1878



Our stock of Rubbers and Umbrellas is complete and ready for the rainy season

Forgot What He Needed.

From the Republican, Mt. Gillad, O. io: The editor had an interesting experience some time ago, when a young gentleman came to this office and asked for a copy of the Morrow County Republican. He scrutinized it carefully when a copy was handed him, and then said: "Now I know!" "What is it you are looking for," we inquired. "My wife sent me after a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and I forgot the name. I went to several stores and the clerks named over everything in the line on the shelf except 'Chamberlain's.' I'll try again and I'll never go home without Chamberlain's Cough Remedy." The Republican would suggest to the proprietors of stores, that they post their clerks, and never let them substitute. Customers lose faith in stores where substituting is permitted, to say nothing of the injustice to makers of good goods and the disappointment of customers.

Clever Youngster.

A little fellow whose father is connected with a railroad has picked up many railroad phrases. One day while waiting with his mother in a large station the youngster rode about on his little cart. Suddenly a man blocked the little rider's way. The latter, lustily shouting "low bridge," passed safely between the man's legs.



HOME, SWEET HOME!

THE DECORATIONS REFLECT the character of the household, and determine the cheer of the home circle.

GET COMPETENT ADVICE and let no one's self-interest prevent you, getting the beautiful THY-SEN WALL-PAPER LINE. None is cheaper and none so fine.

ARE YOU KEEPING FIT?

"Keeping fit" is to a very large extent a matter of taking care of oneself, and carelessness in little things is responsible for many a doctor's bill.

We Know You Are Not Sick

But we know that most of people are afflicted with one or more of the following conditions after a long hard winter. Thick sluggish blood, slight indigestion, mucky complexion, boils and pimples, headaches, etc. Possibly there may be no danger at present, but the danger lies in letting this condition continue, thinking that you will feel better to-morrow. There are about 99 chances in a 100 that a bottle or two of

BEEF, WINE AND IRON

Tonic taken during the spring months would improve your physical condition.

A. M. LEWIS,
Your Druggist Phone 18
CAMERAS and PHOTO SUPPLIES



Local News

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, MAR. 7

Mrs. Henry Lang of Bay City is a guest of Mrs. Sam Kestenholz.

See Geo. L. Alexander & Son before purchasing automobile insurance.

Miss Marie Foreman has resigned her position at the Petersen grocery.

Miss Beatrice Gierke is spending a couple of weeks here visiting her parents.

Attorney Homer L. Fitch went to Saginaw Tuesday for a couple of days on legal business.

A list of delinquent taxes for 1915 and previous years appears in supplement form in this issue of the *Avalanche*.

Get your tickets for the Red Cross benefit party for Monday night, March 18. Price 75 cents. Proceeds go to the Red Cross.

Mrs. T. W. Hanson returned home Wednesday morning from Detroit where she had been taking a further course in Red Cross surgical dressings.

Mr. and Mrs. John Larson left Saturday for Bay City to visit for a few days. The former returned home Tuesday, but Mrs. Larson remained for a longer visit.

The Messrs. Paul and Robert Ziebell, returned home Tuesday from Detroit where they had been called a few days previous by the death of their brother H. F. Ziebell.

Mrs. Earl Kidd invited a number of ladies to her home Thursday afternoon of last week, to meet Mrs. Holger Clauson of North Carolina, who was her guest. The ladies spent a very pleasant afternoon.

Edore LaBrash, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul LaBrash of the South side, who has been in Detroit the last year visited at his home here last week, before leaving for the military camp at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

The Grayling High school basketball team will compete in the State tournament at Ypsilanti, March 14, 15 and 16, for state championship. They won the championship cup last year and we feel confident that they will repeat this year.

Albert Borchers, son of P. D. Borchers, expects to leave next week for Akron, Ohio, to enter a school to learn vulcanizing. He expects to return here about April 1 and with Tony Nelson as proprietor, the firm of Grayling Vulcanizing and Tire Supply Co. will begin operations again. Mr. Borchers will be manager of the establishment. In the meantime Mr. Nelson will sell tires—Good-year tires, for which he is sole agent in Grayling. They will be at the same old stand.

Warning! Thrift pledge cards have been offered for sale by a certain young boy in Grayling as war thrift stamps, and a few people have purchased. This is a fraud and the public is cautioned to purchase War savings stamps from the post office, or any business place offering them for sale. Dealers having stamps for sale will have signs posted in their places of business stating that they are for sale there.

A. M. Lewis, Ch'mn. Com.



LATEST STYLE AUTO Goggles

Our line of auto goggles is most complete and attractive.

The kind you want at the price you want to pay—

We have them all

C. J. HATHAWAY

Optometrist Phone 1272 Jeweler

Registered under Michigan's Optometry Law by Examination

Get ready for the next Liberty loan.

A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson Sunday, Mar. 3.

J. H. Wingard was in Bay City on business Monday, returning Tuesday.

Supervisor Charles Craven of Fred-eric was in the city on business Monday afternoon.

Mrs. P. G. Zalsman left this morning for a week's visit among friends in Harrietta and Paris, Michigan.

Encourage the children to purchase thrift stamps. They soon amount to dollars and draw 4% compound interest.

Mrs. A. R. Allen is recovering from an attack of pneumonia, with which she has been suffering for the past four weeks.

There will be a special meeting of Grayling Chapter No. 83, O. E. S. on Wednesday evening March 13th. Initiation and refreshments.

It is surprising how quickly the little savings grow into real substantial amounts, and when invested in thrift stamps—earn 4% compound interest.

Mrs. Moshir is here from Detroit on account of the illness of her mother Mrs. Charles Primeau, of the South Side. The latter is in a critical condition.

The Hospital aid society will be entertained Thursday afternoon, March 14 at the home of Mrs. J. K. Hanson. Mrs. Hanson will be assisted by Mrs. Robert Gillett.

C. Wilcox moved back to his farm east of the city Tuesday last, to remain for the summer. In spite of his nearly 80 years of age, he says that he intends to run the farm alone this summer.

"Nothing new under the sun," may have been a mooted question but should be so no longer. On the J. C. Failing farm Feb. 28 was born a tailless calf. The calf is otherwise well formed. Comments, anent the Darwinian theory, are in order.

Word has been received from Congressman Currie that 250 packages of vegetable seed and 100 packages of flower seeds will be sent soon for the school children. We want all children to have a garden and hope for a big year for gardens in Grayling this year. Children, plan your garden and work for the prize.

Chairman Civics Com.

The Republican township caucus will be held at the Town hall next Monday night at 8:00 p. m., and the Democrat caucus next Saturday night at 8:15 p. m. Let's have a big attendance at both meetings and then put up men who will make good officials. Men who may be good vote getters and poor officers are a drawback to the community, and not wanted at any price. Nominate good men and then elect the best.

Last evening fourteen friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Hoeall were taken for a sleigh ride to Lake Margrethe, giving a farewell surprise party to Mr. and Mrs. George K. Brown at their home out there. Progressive pedro, dancing and singing of patriotic airs were the principal amusements of the evening. At 11:30 o'clock an abundance of brown bread, pickles, coffee and fried cakes were served, which all enjoyed. It was with much reluctance the guests at a late hour took their departure, wishing the host and hostess many more such pleasant evenings in their future home. The Brown family will move to Lansing some time during this month.

The members of the men's class in Applied Christianity of the M. E. church, enjoyed a pleasant evening Thursday when Mrs. J. Mielstrup and son Carlton entertained them at their home for a social session. There were about fifteen members of the class present and the evening was spent in informal discussion. Mrs. Mielstrup served a delicious luncheon; she was assisted in serving by Miss Lytle and Miss McNeil. During the evening a Thrift Stamp society was organized among the members of the class. Clayton Tennant was elected president and Charles Abbott, secretary. This is the first Thrift Stamp society to be organized in Crawford county and no doubt other organizations, such as societies, lodges, Board of trade and others will soon follow suit. The members of the class left soon after 11:00 o'clock, having thoroughly enjoyed the evening.

Village election next Monday.

Kat Graham and her and make the Kaiser sign. Model Bakery, 131-12.

Mrs. A. M. Lewis is visiting her sister, Miss Lucille Campbell in Chicago.

Round Oak heating stoves and Round Oak Chief ranges.

11-1-12 F. R. Deckrow.

Mrs. Lara Kasmussen entertained a few lady friends at her home yesterday afternoon.

T. P. Peterson was in Marlette on business for R. Hanson & Sons the first of the week.

The village election will be held next Monday at the Town hall. Polls open at 7:00 a. m.

The South side bath house will be open hereafter on Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays.

Mrs. Anna Stark, of Bay City, is here for a few days caring for her aunt, Mrs. Della Isonhaur, who has been ill.

Democrat caucus Saturday night; Republican caucus Monday night next. Both meetings will be held at the Town hall.

A number of Thrift Stamp societies have been organized among the societies of Grayling and no doubt there will soon be some lively rivalry among them.

Mr. and Mrs. Holger Clauson, who spent a couple of weeks here visiting relatives and friends left last Friday for California, where they will make their home.

Hoppe Failing received a telegram announcing the safe arrival in France on Feb. 27th of his son, Otto Failing, who is with the 125th U. S. Infantry Headquarters Co.

Mrs. Charles Jerome and Mrs. A. M. Lewis are acting jointly as chairmen of the Woman's department of Thrift stamps. Any information desired on this work may be gotten from these ladies.

C. Burton had the misfortune to fall on the icy walk Tuesday night, fracturing his right leg. An X-ray picture taken last night revealed two broken bones just above the ankle. His friends will be glad to know that he is getting along nicely.

L. Jennings of Rives Junction, near Jackson, has been appointed by the Michigan Central Railroad company to succeed J. C. Yahr as local freight agent in Grayling. Mr. Yahr resigned his position a short time ago and will move onto his farm near Linwood.

All children who wish to compete in the Bird house exhibit and sale which will take place some time in April, please see teachers for instructions and pamphlets. Prizes will be given and the proceeds of sale to go to play ground fund. Parents please give us some interest in this as your child will get the benefit of this as will others.

Chairman Civics Com.

Advertising matter is out for the Red Cross benefit dance to be given for the Red Cross by the Loyd Order of Moose Monday night, March 18, at Temple theatre. This is to be a St. Patrick's party and the members are planning a fine party. Tickets are being sold by members of the lodge and have been going like hot cakes. The people of Grayling have to take their hats off to our lodges for the noble work they are doing for the Red Cross. As in other similar affairs, all the proceeds go to the Red Cross and the lodge will pay all the expenses out of their treasury. The success of these occasions are not entirely due to the lodges but instead the people of the community are to be congratulated upon the most royal manner in which they have responded to these benefit affairs. Without their support we can do but little. We are giving liberally and we are going to continue to give, every time there is a chance to do something for the benefit of our soldiers. We are sure that all are grateful to the lodges for the splendid patriotic work they are doing and in turn the public are going to show their gratitude and patriotism by putting the Moose party "over the top" with the other parties that have been given. When we buy a ticket to the Moose party we are putting another stone in the road of the Kaiser, and besides we are going to get our money's worth in the good time we are going to have.

TOWNSHIP CAUCUSES.

Democrat Caucus Saturday and Republican Caucus Monday Night.

Caucuses for the nomination of candidates for the several offices will be held during the next few days.

The candidates whose terms expire and for which offices nominations will be made are as follows:

Supervisor—Melvin Bates.
Clerk—Harry Hill.

Treasurer—Holger Hanson.
Justice of the Peace—Oscar P. Schumann.

Highway Commissioner—Peter F. Jorgenson.
Overseer of Highway No. 1—Daniel Hoeall.

Overseer of Highway No. 2—Henry Stephan.
Member Board of Review—T. W. Hanson.

Constables—Mike Brenner, William Miller, Christ Jensen and Carl Larson. The Democrat caucus will be held Saturday night March 9, at 8:15 p. m.

The Republican caucus will be held Monday night, at 8:00 p. m. Both meetings will be held in the town hall.

Try This For Sour Stomach.

Eat slowly, masticate your food thoroughly. Eat but little meat and none at all for supper. If you are still troubled with sour stomach take one of Chamberlain's Tablets before going to bed.

School Notes

"Blot makes all things difficult, but industry all easy."—Franklin.

The French classes are now organized and students are being initiated into the mysteries of pronunciation and grammatical constructions. There are eleven students in this department.

Little Johnnie is dead and gone. We never shall see him more. For what he shot was H-2 O. Was H-2 S O-4.

One of the teachers made the remark that the High school had stopped chewing gum; but a brilliant pupil informed him that maybe the High had, but the school hadn't.

Wren Cameron, a student in our Junior High school is the proud possessor of a Palmer certificate of business penmanship. This seems a trifling thing, but to gain one takes "more backbone than wishbone." Mr. Cameron worked diligently for four weeks under the guidance of his instructor in preparation for the examination.

The Grayling High school will soon have its name up for a swift bunch if the speed tests in typewriting are not discontinued.

"The Chambered Nautilus" is being learned by the 8 B Reading class.

The 7 A geography class learned that Africa is not called "The Dark Continent" because of the color of its inhabitants. They discovered several reasons why the light of intelligence has not entered therein.

If you want any cellars dug or pavements laid, or are thinking of painting or papering this spring, call on the members of the 7 A Arithmetic class. They have had lots of experience in that line of work.

The 7 B Geography class has been spending the last month in South America and are sorry that their trip is drawing to an end. They met the llanos and llamas and found it hard to distinguish between them.

Probably some people would be interested to know that appetite is made by the interaction of calcium and lime and when the supply runs low you just naturally don't get hungry.

"Macaroni" was given credit for the invention of wireless telegraphy by a member of the 7 A history class recently.

Warning! Don't let any of the chemistry class register as tillers of the soil because they would undoubtedly try to use insoluble phosphorous as a fertilizer.

The civil government class is very much interested in the study of our national government and at present uses a text written by W. C. Hewitt of the State Normal at Oshkosh, Wisconsin and Henry Pattengill of Lansing.

Preparedness is surely strongly believed in by some of the Seniors as they hold to the idea that as long as one can take considerable arsenic without serious results if he gradually accustoms himself to it. That this would be a good plan for everyone to follow. Then if they ever took some by mistake, they wouldn't be poisoned.

The rear seats in the English Lit. class room go to the highest bidders but to the highest steppers.

The Service flag for the High school was presented Monday by Mrs. Olaf Michelson. It has thirty-five stars for Francis Reagan, Edmond Shanshan, Sergt. William Lauder, Harry Hemmington, Lieut. Frank Goulet, William Laurent, Wilfred Laurent, Donald Babbit, Lee Phelps, William Fischer, Leo Jorgenson, Shirlaw Dyer, Victor Peterson, Carl Johnson, Major E. E. Hartwick, Edward Morrissey, Robert Robin, Fred McDonald, Capt. Hardin Sweeney, Chaplain Alfred Sorenson, Sergt. Arthur McIntyre, Isaac Geidron, Corp. Ransom Burgess, Kaj Hanson, Ralph Brink, Corp. Clarence Johnson, Melvin Brown, Ardolph Jacobson, Louis Joseph, Chas. Robinson, Floyd Taylor, Harold Bradley, William Taylor, Grant Canfield, Sergt. Clyde Hum, Herbert Oakes and Otto Failing. Rev. A. A. Mitchell and M. A. Bates, Secretary of the School board were present.

As the good sports which we consider ourselves, we are not permitted to kick on the defeat which the western handed us Friday, but we hope they will accept the challenge, so that we can prove the Northern Champs better than the Valley champs. As for the game Saturday night it was too easy.

Miss McLain: "Why are the seasons so called?"

Pupil: "The seasons are so named for the time of year in which they occur."

TEACHER, OLIVE LYTLE

The fourth and fifth grades have done some very good work in making posters on Our Shield.

Fred Hoeall has been absent last week because of the mumps.

The average per cent of clean teeth in the room for last week was 74.3. The week before 50.5%.

MOYERS' CLUB PROGRAM, 7:15 P. M. MARCH 12, 1918.

Business meeting. Duet by Misses Eva Full and Florence Smith.

Paper: Children, Their Rights and Needs.—Mrs. Roblin.

Discussion of above subject. Miss Inge Martin, Chairman.

Methodist Church Notes.

Gospel services will be held morning and evening at 10:30 and 7:00 o'clock in the Danabod. Please attend these services and bring a friend, all are welcome.

SUBSCRIBE FOR THE AVALANCHE.

Have You Seen the Nifty New Spring Hats on Display



The new colors and shapes for this season are now here. A great big showing that will surely please you.

\$1.25 to \$3.50

New Wash Materials

Voiles, Gingham, Percal, Prints, Mercerized Plaids, Scrims and Nets. Come in and look them over.

Children's Wash Dresses

A very pretty selection of children's Wash Dresses, sizes 2 to 14, 50c and up.

Waists, Skirts, Coats—new arrivals daily.

Our Showing of New Spring Shoes

for men and women and children offers you a complete assortment to select from. We guarantee prices to be 25 per cent lower than they could be sold for if bought at present market prices.

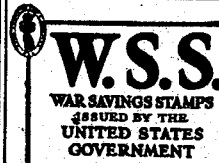
New Spring Hats

A choice selection of New Spring Hats for ladies are now being shown in our Millinery department. Styles and prices are right.

Grayling Mercantile Co.

Phone 1251

The Quality Store



Enrolled Men Not to be Used for Strike Breaking.

The following telegram is self explanatory. It reads as follows:

T. W. Hanson, Grayling, Mich. J. T. Lynn, director for Michigan U. S. public service reserve, says you have undoubtedly seen in newspapers the articles concerning the strike of carpenters in one or two of the ship-yards. This has resulted in a decided decrease in the number of daily enrollments in the United States public service reserve thruout the entire country. You may announce for the department of labor that at no time will they permit ship-yard volunteers of the U. S. public service reserve to be used for strike breaking purposes if any trouble whatsoever. This statement is unqualified, the matter is entirely in the control of the department of labor you will notice by the instructions concerning the ship-yard volunteers that no such volunteer is under any obligation to accept a notification of an opportunity to work in the ship-yards unless he is satisfied with all the terms and conditions at the time he receives such notification. The entire voluntary character of the reserve makes it impossible to use it for strike breaking purposes. Any thing you can possibly do to refute that impression, that those being enrolled now are to be used as strike breakers, should be done, and done at once unless this propaganda is emphatically denied the country will fall far behind in its quota desired for ship-building.

W. E. Hall, National Director. Lynn, Director for Michigan.

Notice of Registration for Village and Township Elections. According to the laws of 1917 legal voters will be required to register with their clerks—with the village clerks for village elections; and with township clerks for township elections. Their books are now open and those not already registered may do so in these places respectively. For the convenience of those wishing to register for the village, Clerk T. P. Peterson has placed the books in the hands of County Clerk Frank Sales at the court house, who is prepared to enter registrants. Township voters will find the township clerk, Harry Hill, at the Michigan Central freight office.

Your Needs Satisfied

Your Wants Gratified

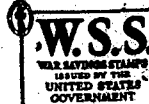
We guarantee to not only SATISFY your NEEDS, but to GRATIFY your WANTS in best groceries. We have

FOR YOUR NEEDS—The best Coffee, and Tea of highest quality, and all of the other necessities of a comfortable life.

FOR YOUR WANTS—Canned Fruits and Vegetables, Jellies and Jams, Pickles, Sauces, etc. Breakfast Foods, Cakes, Candies, and Fresh Fruits in abundance.

OUR WATCHWORD—"Purity and Freshness, and at a living price."

H. Petersen,
GROCER
Phone No. 25



Field Seeds

EDW. E. EVANS

West Branch, Mich.

2-28-4

GREATEST VALUES

WE HAVE EVER SHOWN IN

Music Cabinets

No. 1. Solidly constructed throughout of finely figured mahogany, interior fitted with five shelves, special price..... **\$9.95**

No. 2. Made of birch, finished in mahogany, a big value at **\$6.25**

No. 3. Music cabinet and desk combined, a very neat and handy piece of furniture. Desk part has usual pigeon hole interior construction, the bottom is for sheet music or can be used for magazines, made of select quartered oak... **\$7.95**

If interested call early as these are big bargains

Sorenson Bros.

The Home of Dependable Furniture





To drive a truck, handle the guns, and sweep over the enemy trenches, takes strong nerves, good rich blood, a good stomach, liver and kidneys. When the time comes, the man with red blood in his veins "is up and at it." He has iron nerves for hardships—an interest in his work grips him. That's the way you feel when you have taken a blood and nerve tonic, made up of Blood root, Golden Seal root, Stone root, Cherry bark, and rolled into a sugar-coated tablet and sold in sixty-cent vials by almost all druggists for past fifty years as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This tonic, in liquid or tablet form, is just what you need this spring to give you vim, vigor and vitality. At the end of a hard winter, no wonder you feel "run-down," blue, out of sorts. Try this "Medical Discovery" of Dr. Pierce's. Don't wait! To-day is the day to begin! A little "pup," and you laugh and live.

The best means to oil the machinery of the body, put fine into the liver, kidneys and circulatory system, is to first practice a good house-cleaning. I know of nothing better as a laxative than a vegetable pill made up of May-apple, leaves of aloe and jalap. This is commonly sold by all druggists as Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, and should be taken at least once a week to clear the twenty-five feet of intestines. You will thus clean the system—expel the poisons and keep well. Now is the time to clean house. Give yourself a spring house-cleaning.—Adv.

Had He Picked Out His General?

Ben Hupwood Burt, who writes popular songs, was haranguing a group of his fellow members of a theatrical club in New York city upon the subject of patriotism in the present national crisis. It was his contention that every man should do his bit—in the fighting line, if possible.

"Look here, Ben," spoke up a listener; "I haven't heard that you have enlisted yourself, yet."

"Oh, I've got my job all picked out," said Burt. "And what's more, it's going to be a job in the army, too."

"What sort of a place are you going to fill?" asked another.

"I'm going to be chauffeur to a general with a yellow streak," said Burt.

FRECKLES

Now Is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots

There's no longer the slightest need of feeling ashamed of your freckles as the prescription outlined below—strongly guaranteed to remove these homely spots. Simply get an ounce of ointment—double strength—from your druggist, and apply a little of it night and morning and you should soon see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear, while the lighter ones have vanished entirely. It is evident that more than one ounce is needed to completely clear the skin and gain a beautiful clear complexion.

Be sure to ask for the double strength ointment, as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.—Adv.

Moderation.

"For a pessimist, you are quite cheerful." "I'm what is known as an optimistic pessimist."

The manufacture of glycerin from sugar is a war triumph.

DON'T LET WORMS EAT YOUR PROFITS
An animal with worms cannot thrive. Keep your livestock free from worms by giving them DR. DAVIS' WORMER.
Worm Powder Price 50c
Hops will fatten quicker, horses will look sleeker, poultry will be healthier. Read the Practical Home Veterinarian for free booklet on Worms. If you find a dealer in your town, write to Dr. Davis' Tel. Co., 100 Grand Avenue, Waukegan, Wis.

Try Kondon's for the baby's cold
(at no charge to you)
50,000 have used this 20-year-old remedy. For chronic catarrh, sore throat, cough, croup, whooping cough, colds, etc. Write for free booklet. Kondon's is a household name. It will cure you in 3 days—Money back if it does not. Or we pay money back. For trial case, free booklet, write to: KCONDON MFG. CO., MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

KONDON'S CATARRHAL JELLY
A neglected cold in a child's head often leads to chronic catarrh and catarrhal deafness—stunting children's mental growth, making them appear stupid.

CARTER'S LIVER PILLS
For Constipation
Carter's Little Liver Pills will set you right over night.
Purely Vegetable
Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price

Carter's Iron Pills
Will restore color to the faces of those who lack iron in the blood, as most pale-faced people do.

A BAD COUGH
Is risky to neglect. Take it in hand, and safeguard your health by promptly taking

PISO'S

WHAT CAN WE DO?

A shortage of trained nurses confronts the Red Cross and young high school and college women must save the day for the organization in this dilemma. Even though these young women have no expectation of following nursing as a life vocation they may benefit themselves and show their willingness to help when help is badly needed by qualifying to do Red Cross work. The time spent in the nurses' training schools of the country, and in actual nursing, will prove a lifelong asset—broaden the vision and sympathies and make better and less anxious mothers of the girls who undertake such training.

We are to discontinue the knitting of trench caps because the government is to include a trench cap in every man's equipment. And furthermore, we are asked to use the yarn for socks and more socks. The hand-knitted varieties are most satisfactory and even when the upper part is made by machine the stitches may be taken up on needles of the correct size and the foot knitted by hand.

About Supplies.
Every Red Cross worker in the central division is to be congratulated on the very handsome total of articles shipped during the month of January. Can we make it 4,000,000 for the month of February?

Shipped during month of Jan., 1915.	Shipped during month of Feb., 1915.
Standard, special and surgical dressings.....	2,756,391
Hospital linen, operating linen and patients' clothing.....	553,873
Knitted articles.....	311,890
Christmas packages.....	116,156
Miscellaneous.....	41,835
Refugee clothing.....	45,856
	3,130,293
	3,569,131

FRANK HUBBARD,
Director Bureau of Supplies, Central Division.

FANCIES: OF: FASHION



COATS WITH "THROW" COLLARS.

Gauntlet cuffs and "throw" or scarf collars are among the small innovations in coat styles that distinguish them from preceding seasons. Another almost universal feature of new coats is some sort of definition at the waistline, which may be either above or below the normal waistline and is often most above. Nevertheless, many of the new coats achieve an almost straight silhouette. Bearing these three peculiarities in mind, it will not be at all hard to acquire an up-to-date coat for spring styles show no radical departures from those of the winter.

Although the throw is merely a supplement to the spring coat for wear on keen, chilly days, it may be made a style note full of charm. There is a knack in wearing it which all lies in adjusting it becomingly. Each of the two coats illustrated here is provided with a throw and one of them is further favored with one phase of the gauntlet cuff. Both are of wool velour, which has proved itself an ideal fabric for coats.

NEW FASHIONS

Rippling skirt sections are taboos by some of the smartest modistes. Gray handkerchief linen is used for some of the most distinctive of French hand made blouses.

Cut stitching in heavy silk is in some cases replacing fill work on blouses, since it involves less time and labor and is almost as effective.

A novel edging, introduced by Lanvin on some of her blouses, is made of tiny seam heading, cut in half and applied by hand.

Colored blouse is used for collars and cuffs on lingerie blouses for spring. Heavily embroidered front panels are used on some of the hand made lingerie things.

Blazer stripes are reported as returning to favor in England for sweaters.

Most of the best bandeau brassieres are now fitted with a shaped diaphragm band.

Tunics on suit skirts are more prominent when zouave or Eton jackets are made to go with them.

The three piece or midly suit is being evolved in silk and cloth combinations with very attractive results.

Amethyst mude draped and clasped with steel buckle forms the belt on a white velour waistcoat made to go with a short, box jacket of a navy tricot suit.

Pumpkin yellow handkerchief linen is developed into a mannish tuckered front, sleeveless blouse to wear with a navy suit, the jacket of which is short and box-like.

Old-Fashioned Frocks.

Frocks of organdie in combinations that harken back to the fifties give an inkling to what may be expected this season, and illustrated in a model seen of gray organdie, the skirt fluted slightly into the waist is banded at the foot with self color and finished at the top with cord and narrow knife plaiting of pale yellow. The quaint tight-fitting waist, modified by modern influence, depends upon knife plaiting and coring to trim. A good looking brown and white plaid ging-ham dress is combined with white organdie and set off with a brown suede belt, which carries it above the range of the commonplace.

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"Oh, no, no. There will be no carpenters and there will be no other painters beside myself. I shall make a villa of it by the way I paint it and thousands of people will stop to admire."

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Folks Call It Something Else

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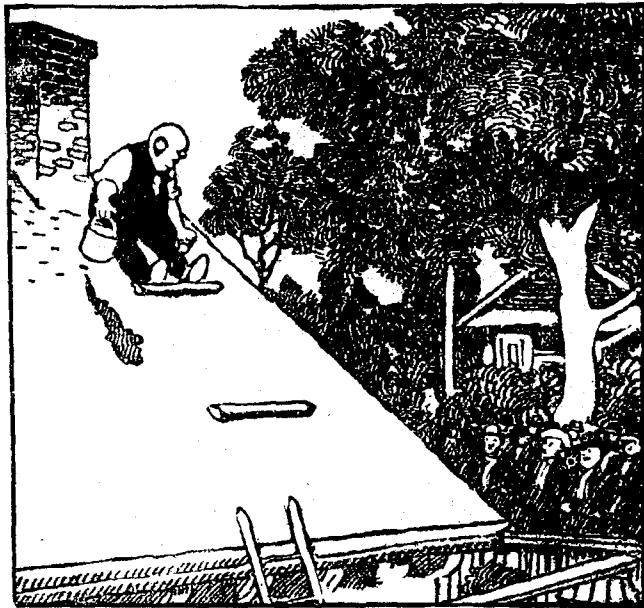
By M. QUAD.

About mid-afternoon the Bowser premises were invaded by three or four strange men. Two of them brought ladders and the others cans of paint and jugs of turpentine and oil. Mrs. Bowser when she had recovered a little from the invasion tried to make the men understand that they had made a big mistake.

"Oh, no, Mrs. Bowser," replied the leader of the gang. "I have known Mr. Bowser for three years and I've been by this place a thousand times. There is no mistake here."

"But what is all this stuff for?" she protested.

"It looks as if Mr. Bowser was going to do some painting. He didn't



"Thirty People Gathered in Front of the House."

hire us to do it, but said that he had his own ideas to carry out. If he hasn't said anything to you he will probably tell you all about it this evening. He made us promise to have everything over here before four o'clock and everything is here. He can get up at four o'clock in the morning and go right at work."

If Mrs. Bowser had not had a sweet temper she would have spent the rest of the afternoon in kicking over chairs and discharging the cook. Mr. Bowser hadn't said a word about repainting the house. He had preserved the strictest secrecy about the enterprise. The house did not need repainting and the idea of having him darning around for a week or two was unbearable. She made no outright demonstrations, however, but that evening would bring the talk.

Mr. Bowser came home at the usual time and took a look into the side yard before entering the house. He realized that Mrs. Bowser had seen the outfit and must suspect his evil design, but he entered the house with a flourish and did not let of talking in the next five minutes. In fact, he did all the talking during the dinner and a great deal more than was necessary. He was putting the explanation off as long as possible, but it had to come when they reached the family room.

"Now, then," said Mrs. Bowser, as she straightened up and set her jaw, "why did you have those men bring all the things this afternoon?"

"Why, my dear," said Mr. Bowser, in an oily voice, "I am going to do a little painting. Didn't I speak about it a week or so ago? This is glorious weather for outside painting and I am anxious to be at the work."

"Mr. Bowser, this house does not need any paint on it," firmly replied Mrs. Bowser.

"You may not think so, but thousands of other people do. I am almost ashamed to turn at the gate and look at it. Besides, I have another object in view. How long have we lived in this house?"

"About fifteen years," was the reply.

"And it has been of the same color ever since. The house is red brick and the woodwork painted white. That's the way most of the houses on the block are. There is a dreadful monotony about it. I had almost as soon walk through a cemetery as along this block."

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Her eyes blazed. "You poor seed," she snapped. "You have all the passion of an infuriated clam. What do you think you're doing, asking the conductor for a transfer?"

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DISEASES OF CROPS CAUSE BIG LOSS

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OATS SMUT IS UNNECESSARY

Can Easily Be Guarded Against, M. A. C. Man says—Same Is True of Wheat Smut and Potato Troubles.

By DR. G. H. COONS, Plant Pathologist, Michigan Agricultural College.

East Lansing, Mich.—The farmer is facing, as never before, high and almost prohibitive prices on the necessary materials and implements of his business. The problem of farm labor has been only partially solved. How can the farmer then answer the ever recurring appeal of the nation for greater production?

Those familiar with the losses caused by plant diseases recognize in these losses the great leak in agriculture. Here if anywhere the farmer should concentrate his attention, and by a little effort and by a study of the facts that directly concern his business learn to prevent these losses which year after year have been cutting down yields.

The methods the farmer is to use are not some new-fangled things manufactured on the spur of the moment but are standard, well-known and thoroughly tested treatments, which through ignorance or carelessness are now often widely neglected.

To meet the situation squarely the farmer must know the nature of the trouble he is trying to correct. Plant diseases for the most part are caused by parasites, so tiny as to be invisible except under a microscope, which steal their living from the farmer's crops. Sometimes the attacks of these parasites may cause only a spot or a blemish on the plant, as for example, the scab of potatoes and the "speckles" on apples. With other parasites, the destruction may be complete. In oat smut and late blight of potatoes for instance the crop shows the effect of the attack by diminished yields.

In carrying out the program for crop protection, which this article proposes, the most necessary thing for the farmer to understand, is that plant diseases are not beyond control just because certain weather may favor their increase.

Let us suppose that the farmer is a grain farmer and put to a test the proposition that plant disease control can increase his production. Some of the greatest wastes on many farms are those which result from smut—oat smut for example, and the stinking smut of wheat. By conservative estimate the average loss from oat smut has been placed at about \$3 per acre for the Michigan crop. This amounts in the aggregate to an enormous sum. The average farmer who neglects to treat his seed feeds the smut parasites in his ten acres as much as would be required to keep a cow for three months.

The remedy for this situation is well known and has been pushed in many farming communities. Last year in Michigan the county agricultural agents recommended widely and with uniform success the new concentrated formaldehyde solution is sprayed on the grain as it is shoveled over and over. The treated grain is covered for four hours and is then spread out in a warm place to air. It should be planted at once. With a cost of from 30 to 50 cents for formaldehyde and a slight expenditure of time and labor it will be seen that any farmer can protect his crop.

Similar treatment to this is possible for wheat smut, which also is the cause of pernicious loss in time of food shortage. This loss, which the farmer must stand, is enormous. A common practice in one community is to reduce the exchange value of wheat for flour by 11 pounds, a depreciation of nearly 60 cents per bushel. To neglect the treatment of wheat contradicts every element of good business judgment.

There are weapons also that the potato grower can use against plant diseases. Treatment of seed potatoes with corrosive sublimate against black scurf and scab guards against failure of plantings and insures a clean crop if the tubers are planted on clean ground.

In spraying the potato crop with bordeaux mixture, the grower has an additional control measure which will not only insure his crop against late blight but will prevent the parching of leaves in hot dry seasons.

The fruit grower, if he is at all progressive, has already learned that to raise sound and unblemished fruit, it is necessary to spray the trees regularly and thoroughly.

Stockmen Can Collect Damages.

One of the sections in Michigan's new dog law, it is announced by the department of animal husbandry of the Michigan Agricultural college, makes the following provision: "In case of damage done to live stock the services of a disinterested justice of the peace not related to the owner of the damaged stock should be asked at once to view the damage or killed animals and adjust the amount of the loss sustained. If he is satisfied that damage is done by dogs, he delivers a statement of the losses sustained to the township or village clerk. The clerk then issues an order for the amount to be paid at once by the township or village treasurer to the owner of the damaged stock if sufficient funds are at hand. These orders hold good from one year to the next until paid. Any surplus in these funds over \$200 reverts into the general school fund of the village or township at the end of each calendar year."

American tobacco preparing and cigarette making machinery has been introduced into Algeria.

CRAWFORD AVALANCHE

The farmer or fruit grower needs to study the requirements of his business. No field of study will yield better returns than a consideration of the diseases of our important crops. With such a study will come a realization of the things to be laid in so that materials may be obtained in due season for use in the summer at the critical times for crop conservation.

Formaldehyde, commonly readily obtainable at drug stores, is scarce and should be bought in proper quantity before the great demand which is sure to come this year exhausts the available supply. An early demand will equip the dealer to handle the business. Similarly, other fungicides, such as copper sulphate for bordeaux mixture, lime sulphur for use against apple scab, and corrosive sublimate for potato scab and black scurf are hard to obtain and should be ordered at once.

To delay securing these necessary materials or the necessary insecticides such as arsenicals and nicotine, is to invite loss when the great summer demand has exhausted the available supply. Nothing but foresight will meet the crisis which our congested transportation conditions present.

Spraying machinery too is most important in this year when we plan to protect our crops with property made fungicides and insecticides. To insure even June deliveries orders should be placed at once.

Michigan has a number of excellently equipped factories turning out worthy and dependable spray machines. Local freight is moving fairly rapidly and accordingly it would seem the part of good judgment to order goods from factories near at hand. The same is true of sprays materials, many of which can be bought in quantity from Michigan concerns.

Preparedness for the battle which confronts the American farmer demands attention to the serious plant diseases. The great gains in agriculture will not come so much from discovery of new and especially productive varieties as from the greater saving of the crop from the ravages of insect pests and plant diseases. The American farmer army must be prepared if it is to win this impending battle.

Best Stock Is Cheapest.

"For a man entering upon the business of raising ducks, the wisest and most economical move he can make is to purchase the best breeding stock possible," avers the department of poultry husbandry of M. A. C. "And in breeding, never use more than one male for five females. This breeding stock should be selected every year from the May hatch, choosing, when they have become five or six weeks old, the largest, strongest and thriftiest ducklings. Additional range in grass yards should be provided for them, and with it abundant opportunity for swimming. During September and October feed them twice daily only about two-thirds of what they can consume, as this will keep them from laying during the fall months and will get them into winter condition to respond to heavy feeding later on."

The Truth.

The truth is that something everybody wants on his side when trouble comes. You may not be overly well acquainted with it before you need it, but that makes no difference. Truth is the thing that lasts when other things vanish. Those who know claim that "truth is conformity of representation to fact." There is more or less of it in the world. Its prevalence depends upon the company you keep. In some circles men try to keep away from truth because they are aiming at unjust gains. Some trot the personal opinion to favor before reputed greatness. They are not concerned about what they are. It's what they want to be that keeps them thinking. And their thinking is purely of gain. To the man who exercises authority, to be looked upon as successful seems to be their chief goal. But if they only knew it the truth is the best way to attain it.

Spotless Town Found.

The spotless town of fiction has been discovered at last. It is Imlay, Nev., a freight division on the Southern Pacific railway, and its 300 inhabitants are mainly railroaders, says the Wall Street Journal. Its spotlessness is due to things the town is without. It has no saloons, and also no jail. It is without lawyers, doctors or a "red-light district." There is no church in the town and no cemetery on its outskirts. Neither can one find a "movie" or a pawnshop. The inhabitants eat three meals a day and work for their living.

Poet Too Artificial.

In the same year as Lovelace, or just three centuries ago, was born Abraham Cowley, who published his first book of poems at the age of fifteen and to whom fell the posthumous honor of leading off Samuel Johnson's "Lives of the Poets." Johnson ranked him among those he called the "metaphysical" poets and expressed a dislike for his far-fetched conceits with which the present-day reader would heartily colicude.

What Testing Association Is.

A cow-testing association is simply a small group of farmers, usually 20, who unite in hiring a man to weigh and test the milk and keep the feed costs and production records of their herds. This man, called the tester, spends a day every month on each farm.

Looks That Way.

Bacon—I see boots with quickly removable soles and heels have been invented in France for railroad men, so that they can escape should their feet be caught in tracks.

Egbert—Those fellows don't want to die with their boots on, evidently.

The Idea.

"That beauty doctor is a great philosopher." "Well, it is part of his business to put a good face on the matter."

Suitable Match.

"What kind of a match did the Smith girl who was so upplah and alry make?" "Oh, she married an aviator."

Back to Middle Ages Are.

"This war is to destroy accepted civilization and restore to the world the culture of the Christian commonwealth, the middle ages," Ralph Adams Cram, Boston architect, told members of the Omaha Society of Fine Arts recently, the Omaha News states.

The loss of philosophy begun by the renaissance, the reformation and intensified industrial conditions of today are the remote causes of world disturbances, according to the lecturer.

Civilization's development, seen through architecture, reached a high standard in Egypt, Rome, and Greece, and its zenith in the middle ages, the speaker said.

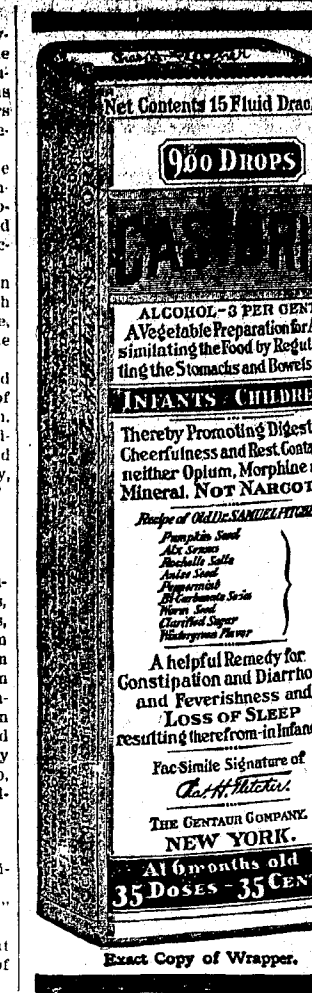
"I recommend a return to the guild system and condemn the shackles of modern capitalism," said Mr. Cram. "In architecture we find the qualities essential to rebuilding the world morally, industrially and scientifically, which we must apply after the war."

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will quiet your cough, soothe the inflammation of a sore throat and lungs, stop irritation in the bronchial tubes, insuring a good night's rest, free from coughing and with easy expectation in the morning. Made and sold in America for fifty-two years. A wonderful prescription, assisting Nature in building up your general health and throwing off the disease. Especially useful in lung trouble, asthma, croup, bronchitis, etc. For sale in all civilized countries.—Adv.

The Fat Missing.—"You don't seem so active in politics as you used to be." "I'm not; these are porkless days."

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Canton, Ohio.—"I suffered from a female trouble which caused me much suffering, and two doctors decided that I would have to go through an operation before I could get well. My mother, who had been helped by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, advised me to try it before submitting to an operation. It relieved me from my troubles so I can do my house work without any difficulty. I advise any woman who is afflicted with female troubles to give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial and it will do as much for them."—Mrs. MARIE BOYD, 1421 6th St., N. E., Canton, Ohio.

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Easily Explained.

The minister had called in the home of one of his parishioners. There was a bald-headed baby in the house, also another child with beautiful brown eyes and soft golden curls. The minister was struck with the beauty of the little one and said: "Where did you get your big brown eyes and your pretty curly hair?" The child looked at him in wonder and said: "I had my eyes when I came, and my hair grew."

Skin Troubles That Itch

Burn and disfigure quickly soothed and healed by hot baths with Cuticura Soap and gentle anointings of Cuticura Ointment. For free samples, address, "Cuticura, Dept. X, Boston." Sold by druggists and by mail. Soap 25, Ointment 25 and 50.—Adv.

Why Not.

He—"I'd like to print a kiss on those ruby lips." She—"Why not place a ruby ring on these fingers?"

New York feeds zoo animals on horseflesh.

Illuminated Title.

An attractive young lady entered a New York book shop the other day and told the clerk that there was one title missing from her red leather set of O. Henry.

"Which one?" he asked. "Let me see," she replied, in evident embarrassment. To help her out he named over a few titles.

Brightening, the lady said, "Oh, now I have it. It is 'The Light That Failed.'"

The Real One.

She—"Are you interested in the great question of the problem of the races?" He—"Yes'm, if it's how to pick the winner at 'em."

Knew It Wasn't His Fault.

He—"Artists are born, not made." She—"I know, poor dear. I wasn't blaming you."—Yale Record.

Had the Habit.

"What's the price of this silk?" asked a deaf old lady of the young shopman. "Seven shillings," was the reply. "Seventeen shillings," she exclaimed. "I'll give you thirteen." "Only seven shillings, ma'am, is the price of the silk," replied the honest shopman. "Oh, seven shillings," rejoined the old lady, sharply. "Well, I'll give you five."—Youth's Companion.

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR.

To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 1/2 oz. of glycerine. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually lighten streaked, faded gray hair, and make it soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off. Adv.

As a new cotton-picking machine is driven over a field four men follow it and pick the bolls with plectrums connected to pneumatic apparatus with which it is equipped.

22 Million Families in the United States

IF EACH FAMILY saved one cup of wheat flour it would amount to 5,500,000 pounds, or more than 28,000 barrels. If this saving was made three times a week, it would amount to 858,000,000 pounds, or 4,377,000 barrels in a year.

You can do your share in effecting this saving and really help to win the war by omitting white bread from one meal today and baking in its place muffins or corn bread made according to this recipe:

Corn Meal Muffins

1/2 cup corn meal	2 tablespoons sugar
1 1/2 cups flour	No eggs
1/2 teaspoon salt	1 cup milk
4 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder	2 tablespoons shortening

Sift dry ingredients together into bowl; add milk and melted shortening and beat well. Bake in greased muffin tin in hot oven about 20 minutes. Same batter may be baked as corn bread in greased shallow pan.

Our new Red, White and Blue booklet, "Best War Time Recipes," containing many other recipes for making delicious and wholesome wheat saving foods mailed free—address

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PROFESSIONAL MEN GOVERNOR LIKES BACK HEALTH BOARD POTATO WAR BREAD

MICHIGAN'S DETERMINED FIGHT ON "PRIVATE DISEASES" WINS SUPPORT.

SYPHILITIC SENT TO JAIL

Pontiac Press Gazette Editorially Commends Effort of Officials to Check Spread of Plague.

Lansing, Mich.—Michigan's part in the nation wide campaign to stamp out venereal diseases is not being played by the professional reformer. The long faced individual who wrings his hands and mournfully declares that something should be done to stop the ravages of the diseases as deadly in their effect as leprosy, and then fails to offer a practical solution, has not been asked to serve in the great army of "home defense" workers that is being recruited in every county in Michigan.

Business Men Back Move. Practical business men, prominent manufacturers, editors, schoolmasters and physicians constitute the first lines of defense. Since the United States government, through Surgeon General Gorgas of the U. S. army, has taken up the fight against venereal diseases for the purpose of increasing and maintaining the efficiency of the nation's fighting forces, the manufacturers and other employers of labor have recognized this problem as an economic proposition, realizing that employees free from any venereal taint are more proficient and industrious than those suffering from disease.

In Lansing, Detroit, Grand Rapids, Flint, Jackson, Pontiac and other industrial centers the names of the most prominent industrial leaders appear among the lists of volunteer workers who are organizing their respective communities for the battle with the "Third Great Plague."

Restaurant Workers Affected.

Recent investigations have disclosed the fact that many persons engaged in the handling of food are suffering from venereal diseases. A cook in a Detroit cafe was found to be a syphilitic. He was ordered by the police to undergo treatment immediately to remedy his condition and was told not to engage in any work where he handled food until he was pronounced cured by a physician. The man refused to be treated and declared he would continue to work in any kitchen where he would obtain employment. Under the same law which makes it illegal for a person afflicted with smallpox to wander at large, this cook was given ninety days in the Detroit house of correction and treatment will be administered to him during his sojourn in jail.

Pontiac Paper Commends Board.

"Probably not since its organization has the Michigan board of health taken such an important step as its recently announced declaration that gonorrhea and syphilis will hereafter be regarded as dangerous communicable diseases," says an editorial in the Pontiac Press-Gazette.

Old Custom Needs Correction.

"It has been the general custom to make the greatest haste to placard a house in which a case of scarlet fever has developed. In the next house might be a case of syphilis in the most aggravated, virulent form and not the slightest effort would be made to prevent its spread."

"We screamed ourselves hoarse if a chimney happened to be afire, with practically no danger, and stood contentedly by and watched a fine home burn without the slightest effort to subdue the flames."

"But we may be thankful that we have at last awakened to the need for action. We probably cannot fairly attach blame to the state authorities for their long delay. The public had to be educated by degrees to the mistaken character of the false attitude toward venereal disease. It has been regarded in the past as a private matter and the spread of syphilis has so astounded members of the medical fraternity that they have been inspired to take more rigid action."

Most Deadly of All Diseases. "Dr. Olin is authority for the statement that at present venereal diseases are causing more suffering and death than tuberculosis, small pox, diphtheria and infantile paralysis."

"In the face of such a sobering statement, does any man in his right senses wish to continue a pussy-footing policy in regard to this pathological course?"

The Pontiac editor takes the same common sense view of the situation as others who have given it careful study.

Must Give Public Protection. While the editors of Michigan have patriotically announced their intention of cooperating with the state board of health a great deal may be said among these lines in public meetings. The United States department of public health is furnishing some speakers and a number of Michigan physicians have volunteered their services. Any organization desiring to obtain a competent speaker on this subject should communicate with the secretary of the state board of health at Lansing.

Bad Taste In Your Mouth.

When you have a bad taste in your mouth you may know that your digestion is faulty. A dose of Chamberlain's tablets will usually correct the disorder. They also cause a gentle movement of the bowels. You will find this to be one of the best medicines you have ever become acquainted with.

Round Oak heating stoves and Round Oak Chief ranges. 11-1-t F. R. Deckrow.

REQUESTS MRS. STOCKMAN TO FURNISH ADMINISTRATOR PRESCOTT A SAMPLE.

STATE HAS SURPLUS OF TUBERS

Use of Potatoes in Bread Making Will Help Both to Reduce Surplus and Save Wheat.

Three or four years ago, Kaiser Wilhelm found that Germany could grow, on her comparatively small acreage, more potatoes than any other country in the world. Mixed with a small amount of grain, she could make an enormous amount of bread. And bread and bullets win battles. That is what started it.

Potatoes were the only normal big food crop in America last year. We did not have such a large amount per acre but we had a big acreage.

Just as Michigan was ready to market her potato crop, a cold wave hit us. That stopped potato shipping and started the railroad's coal hauling. We have been in it ever since. As a result probably one third of the surplus potatoes in Michigan did not get to market.

In December those of us who saw the wheat shortage coming, began to look for a substitute.

We did not have much rye, we raised only about one-tenth as much as we did of wheat. Much of the corn was soft and not fit for meal. In Michigan we did not have enough good corn for seed and we had to feed our soft corn to the hogs and cows to keep it from spoiling.

Last and most important of all, potato is the best substitute for wheat flour in bread. We housewives have known it from the days of the pioneer. Lincoln was raised on potatoes and Johnsykes, purely American product, Germany proved it beyond a doubt in using more than 50 per cent potato in bread.

Though the potato does not equal the cereals in fuel value pound for pound, yet it makes a nice, light, white, palatable bread. In fact you can substitute two cups of mashed potato for one cup of wheat flour in bread up to 25 per cent and a mere man who is not a baker will not know the potato is there. We tried it on Governor Sleeper and hundreds of our farmers at the State Grange. Governor Sleeper liked our potato bread and said, "Bring some up to show the Food Administrator."

Seeing and tasting is believing and the Governor and Food Administrator said, "You can tell Michigan housewives, that potato bread that replaces one-fourth the wheat flour is legal war bread for wheatless days in Michigan."

The bakeries since March 1 are making "victory" bread with a 20 per cent cereal other than wheat, so the town folks will have "victory" all the while.

But we housewives will not be behind them in patriotism. We shall use our cornmeal, rice, oatmeal, buckwheat, etc., on wheatless days in Johnnycakes, pancakes and mush; and then we shall replace 25 per cent of the wheat flour in our wheat bread the rest of the time. So we shall have "victory" bread, too, 21 meals a week.

By doing thus: We shall save 25 pounds on every 100 pounds of wheat flour. We shall make a market for the surplus potatoes, so the Farmer can afford to grow more potatoes next year.

And next year we shall produce more potatoes to make more war bread.

To beat the Kaiser at his own game. Bread and bullets will win battles for America.

Did you hear some woman say: "I don't know whether 'He' will like potato war bread?"

Of course he will, my dear. He will not know the difference, unless it is to compliment you on your nice, white, good bread. And when you tell him, his conscience will trouble him and he will say: "Say, wife, this is no sacrifice. We must do something hard, something that hurts, so that I can feel worthy to call the fellows over there in the trenches 'Our Boys'."

And then she will say: "I saved enough on this to buy a Thrift Stamp this week. So eat your rolls, for here is the stamp to pay the freight to carry what we did not eat that will help Uncle Sam to lick the Kaiser."

Potato war bread will help do it.

Yours for the flag.

DORA H. STOCKMAN, Lecturer Michigan State Grange.

POTATO BREAD.

Many people have asked for a special recipe for potato bread.

The following recipe for potato bread has been so made as to use a large amount of potatoes as compared with flour. Excellent bread can be made with less potato. In using this recipe it should be remembered that a pound of mashed potato is about equivalent for the purpose, to a cup of wheat flour.

Straight Dough Method. (One-pound loaves.) 4 C potatoes (mashed fine) 4 C bread flour 2 cakes compressed yeast, or 1 cake dry yeast, or 1 cup liquid yeast 1 t salt 1 T sugar 2 T water (omit if liquid yeast is used)

Clean thoroughly and boil without paring, nine potatoes of medium size, all.

Try This For Sour Stomach.

Eat slowly, masticate your food thoroughly. Eat but little meat and none at all for supper. If you are still troubled with sour stomach take one of Chamberlain's Tablets before going to bed.

For a Bad Cold.

Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It has stood the test of time and can be depended upon.

lowing them to become very soft. Pour off the water, peel and mash the potatoes. While hot, being careful to leave no lumps, take 4 solidly packed half-pint cups of mashed potato, and when cooled to the temperature of lukewarm water, add to it the yeast, rubbed smooth with 2 tablespoons of lukewarm water. Rinse the cup in which the yeast was mixed with another tablespoon of water and add to the potato. If dry yeast is used let it stand until morning. Next add the salt, the sugar and 1 cupful of the flour, sifted. Mix thoroughly. Set in a warm place and let rise until very light; this will take about two hours. When very light, add the remainder of the flour, kneading thoroughly, until a smooth and elastic dough has been formed. Add more flour if necessary to form a hard loaf. (If moist potatoes are used, more flour must be kneaded into the dough at this stage.) The dough must be very stiff, since the boiled potato contains a large amount of water, which causes the dough to soften as it ferments. Set back to rise until it has trebled in volume, which will require another hour or two. Divide the dough into four parts, mold them separately, and place in greased pans which have been warmed slightly. Allow the loaves to rise until they have doubled in volume and bake for 45 minutes. (If liquid yeast is used more flour will be needed.)

State of Michigan. The Circuit Court for the County of Crawford. In Chancery. James A. Skinner, Plaintiff, vs.

John E. Klein, John F. Johnson, Mary W. Johnson, Frank J. Klein, Isabelle Klein, Vernon C. Hastings and wife (whose first name is unknown) John G. Klein, David M. Hostetter, Gabriel H. Hostetter, Defendants. At a session of said Court held at the Court House in the City of Grayling, in said county, on the 21st day of February, A. D. 1918.

Present, Hon. Nelson Sharpe, Circuit Judge for the County of Crawford. IN THIS CAUSE it appearing from the affidavit on file that it cannot be ascertained in what State or County, the defendants, John E. Klein, John F. Johnson, Mary W. Johnson, Frank J. Klein, Isabelle Klein, Vernon C. Hastings and wife (whose first name is unknown) Charles G. Hasler and wife (whose first name is unknown) John G. Klein, David M. Hostetter, Gabriel H. Hostetter, reside,

ON MOTION OF P. H. Walsh, attorney for the plaintiff, IT IS ORDERED that the said plaintiff cause this order to be published in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed, published and circulated in the said county, and that such publication be commenced within twenty days from the date of this order, and that said publication continue therein once each week for six weeks in succession, or that the said plaintiff cause a copy of this order to be personally served upon each of the said defendants at least twenty days before the time above prescribed for their appearance.

NELSON SHARPE, Circuit Judge. Examined, Countersigned and entered by me, FRANK SALES, Clerk.

P. H. WALSH, Attorney for the Plaintiff, No. 25 Howard Building, Grand Rapids, Michigan. 2-28-18

State of Michigan. The Circuit Court for the County of Crawford. In Chancery. Gertrude E. Ford, Plaintiff, vs.

William H. Lingle and Nona F. Lingle, Defendants.

In pursuance of a decree of the Circuit court for the county of Crawford, in Chancery, made and entered on the 10th day of October, 1917, in the above entitled cause, I, the subscriber, being specially appointed as special circuit court commissioner of said county for this particular purpose, shall sell at public auction or vendue to the highest bidder at the front door of the Court house in the village of Grayling, in said county of Crawford, (that being the place where the circuit court for said county is held) on the 1st day of March, 1918, at 1:30 o'clock, p. m., all those certain lands and premises situate in the township of South Branch, Crawford county, Michigan, described as follows, to-wit: The North Half of the Southeast quarter (N½ of SE¼) of section thirty-one (31), township twenty-five (25) north, range two (2) west. Dated this 15th day of January, 1918.

John J. Niederer, Special Circuit Court Commissioner. Hiram R. Smith, Attorney for Plaintiff. Business Address: Roscommon, Mich. 1-17-18

Mortgage Sale.

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain real estate mortgage (wherein the power of sale therein contained has become operative) executed by Thomas J. Mertz, a widower, of the township of Grayling, Crawford county, Michigan, to Hubbard Head, of Roscommon county, Michigan, dated May 3, 1909, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Crawford county, Michigan, on May 7, 1913, in Liber H of Mortgages on page 158, and upon which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of \$266.31, and no suit or proceeding having been instituted at law to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Therefore, under the power of sale therein contained, notice is hereby given that the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises at public vendue to the highest bidder on May 31, 1918, at one o'clock in the afternoon, at the southerly front door of the court house in the village of Grayling, Michigan, (that being the place of holding the circuit court of said county in which the premises to be sold are situated), to satisfy said mortgage with interest and legal costs. Said premises are described as follows: The east half of the southwest quarter of Section thirty-four, Township twenty-four north, Range four west, Crawford county, Michigan. Dated, March 7, 1918.

Elmer Head, Luman J. Miller, Administrators of the estate of the Mortgagee, Hubbard Head, deceased. Hiram R. Smith, Attorney for Administrator Roscommon, Mich. 3-7-18

The South side bath house will be open hereafter on Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays. 2-28-18

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Mortgage Sale.

Whereas, default having been made in the payment of the money secured by a mortgage dated the twenty-eighth day of August, A. D. 1916, by Cora Stephens of the County of Crawford, County of Crawford and State of Michigan. Mortgagee unto Holger Hanson and Jane Hanson, of the same place, mortgagees which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Crawford county, in Liber G, of Mortgages, on pages 194 and 195, on August 30th at 2 o'clock p. m.

And whereas said mortgage has been duly assigned to Oscar Palmer, by assignment bearing date of the 22nd day of February, A. D. 1917, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for said County of Crawford, February 23d A. D. 1917 in Liber F of mortgages on page 543, at 3 o'clock p. m., and the same is now owned by him.

And whereas the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice is Ten hundred and fifty nine dollars and ten cents principal and interest and the further sum of twenty-five dollars as an attorney fee stipulated for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings having been instituted at law or in chancery to recover the debt now remaining unpaid, secured by said mortgage where by the power of said sale in said mortgage has become operative.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage, and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises therein described at public auction to the highest bidder there for at the front door of the court house, in the village of Grayling, Michigan, that being the place of holding the circuit court for said county) on the ninth day of March, A. D. 1918 at 10:00 o'clock of said day, which said premises are described in said mortgage as the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section five (5) in town twenty six (26) north of range two (2) west containing sixty (60) acres of land. Saving two (2) acres more or less heretofore deeded to Daniel Moshier of the same place in Crawford County Michigan.

Dated December 11th, 1917. Oscar Palmer Assignee of mortgage, Attorney for Assignee. Business Address, Grayling Mich. 12-13-13

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The Life of the Soldier in the Trenches or Putting Fritz on the Run.

It was hurriedly announced last Friday morning that Lieut. W. R. Myers would give a lecture at the school house Friday night March 1, for the benefit of the Red Cross. When the time came there was a large attendance.

Lieut. Myers was a member of the famous Princes Pat regiment of Canada. This regiment of 1,100 men dwindled down to 59 known survivors. Their record in the world war is bound to stand among the top. Their service to Great Britain, France and Belgium can never be repaid.

He gave a stirring talk to the audience gathered at the school house that night, picturing in words trench life and warfare. Some of his experiences he relates as follows:

"I saw twenty-two months of service in France and Belgium. It was at the first battle of the Ypres that I had my first experience of the great war in France. My captain was a good fellow and well liked by his men; came along the trenches and said: 'My men, we are going over the top and round Fritz.' Now, Fritz is the Germans. So, at daybreak the first battalion of Princes Pat went over and raided the German trenches. In this battle we lost thirty-five men and took two hundred fifty-six prisoners. A German officer had a cigarette case full of good smokes and I took them away from him as he had no business to have such good cigarettes with him. Our battalion is now completely wiped out; out of eleven hundred men there are fifty-nine of us left. We did some hard fighting and showed Germany what we were made of. At the battle of the Somme I was gassed and wounded. I received the French legion of honor and the Military cross from Great Britain. I have stood in water up to my knees and held back the Germans with my machine gun which I named Miss Daisy Lewis. Now, that I am disabled and I am still doing my bit, helping our great American Red Cross and if I can get back to fight again, I will go back with our boys and the good old Red White and Blue."

Lieut. Myers carried several wounds. He was shot in the leg, bayoneted in the shoulder, has a shrapnel wound on the top of his head, wounded in

both hands by German hand bomb, was gassed, had one arm broken and three ribs broken. He has written a book entitled "The Life of a Soldier, or 22 months in the Trenches."

Grayling Defeats Gaylord.

The Grayling basket ball team came up to Gaylord last Thursday night and proceeded to defeat the Gaylord team 27 to 14. This is the first time this year that a neighboring team has been able to defeat the Grayling team on the Gaylord floor. The game was very fast but likewise exceedingly rough.

The Grayling team went into the lead from the beginning and held it through the game. On the other hand there were several times during the game that the Gaylord team was within two or three points of the tie.

The Grayling team is certainly faster than their team of last which won the State series of basket ball games at Ypsilanti. It is also decidedly better than any other team that has played on the Gaylord floor this year. They are particularly a strong defensive team. They must have been or they would not have held Gaylord to 14 points. They are fast, know how to dodge, pass and shoot baskets. There is no denying their ability. While all of the players are very good, the "star" of the game was Thompson. He is a splendid guard, fine center and a good basket shot, and plays with his team.

All of the Gaylord boys did very well and played a splendid game and a return game will be played at Grayling March 6th.—Gaylord Advance.

Eat graham and rye and make the Kaiser sigh. Model Bakery. 131-tf.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, ss. Lucas County,

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

A. W. Gleason, Notary Public.

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F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75 cents. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Farmers of Crawford And Roscommon Counties.

The office of superintendent of farmers' institutes and farmers' institute as formerly conducted has been abolished.

In its place the institute work is placed in the hands of the county agent, and it is expected that institute work will be carried on thruout the entire year. The plan is to take up those subjects and problems that are of most importance and immediate interest to the farmers in the particular localities where the institutes are held, and to endeavor to place some demonstration of the subject studied at each institute in various communities so that the farmer can learn by watching the demonstration, rather than thru the preaching of a county agent or other person.

The dominant part of the farmers of these two counties have for twenty-five years been struggling with an acid soil, and so long as the soil is allowed to remain in that condition, agriculture is bound to be an uphill proposition.

In view of this fact I have called the following series of institutes to devote to the subjects of "Limestone and Legumes" and I invite all the farmers within reach of the place where these institutes are to be held to be present. Let us get together and "Cradle our own wheat" as the old saying goes, and then we will be sure it is done.

An invitation is also extended to the women to be present as they are as much interested in these questions as the men.

A question box will be on hand, and a vote taken as to what the subject for consideration at the next institute in the various localities will be.

Come with what knowledge you have on the above subject because these meetings are going to be noted for freedom of discussion and exchange of ideas rather than any set program.

The institutes will begin at ten o'clock in the forenoon of each day and the places are:

Keno, Roscommon county, Wednesday, March 13th, Grange hall.

Roscommon, Roscommon county, Thursday, March 14th, Court house.

(The Women's Congress meets same time and have agreed to furnish the men with pot luck lunch.)

Grayling, Crawford county, Friday, March 15th, Court house.

Frederic, Crawford county, Saturday, March 16th, Town hall.

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